

MERGERS MUST STOP.

S. Supreme Court Gives Decision Against Northern Securities Co. Contracts in Restraint, Reasonable or Unreasonable, Are Prohibited by Sherman Anti-Trust Law, and Congress Has the Right to Establish Regulations for Their Control.

Washington, March 14.—The opinion of the supreme court of the U. S. in the case of the Northern Securities Co. of the United States involving the merger of the Northern Pacific and Great Northern railroad companies was handed down today and in favor of the government. The case was rendered by Justice Harlan, chief justice of the U. S. court of appeals for the sixth circuit of Minnesota was affected.

The effect is to sustain the contention of the Sherman anti-trust law that railroad combinations of the kind in question. Justice Harlan said that in the merger of the two roads the stockholders of the Northern Pacific and Great Northern Co. the two thus becoming consolidated in a holding company, the principal object being to secure a more effective control within the prohibition of the act of the act of a trust.

Justice Harlan concurred in affirming the decision, but for different reasons than that of the majority.

The case has attracted more attention than any other suit before the court. The first trial cases were decided in 1902 and have been regarded by the public as of great importance. The case was decided in favor of the government, and with the influx of cases.

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Improvement before noon, sold off for the most part when news of the decision came out. On the curb, Northern Securities was the center of interest. It declined half a point from 85 1/4 to 85 1/8 on news of the decision, rallied to 87 1/4 and later was quoted at 87.

THOUSANDS ARE COMING.

Statistics Show Large Influx of Foreigners to New England During Year 1903.

Hartford, Conn., March 14.—Tables of figures showing the immigration of foreigners into New England during 1903 have just been completed by the Rev. Joel S. Ives, of this city, who, for the past four years has conducted a census of the foreign population of the six states in behalf of the Congregational Home Missionary Society. According to his figures the influx of foreigners last year was as follows:

Maine, 1,997; New Hampshire, 1,861; Vermont, 1,611; Massachusetts, 6,757; Rhode Island, 9,467, and Connecticut, 21,813, a total of 102,506.

Southern Europe supplied a great number of these immigrants for of the total 28,161 were Italians and 11,877 Poles.

QUESTION OF WHETHER MEAT That Has Been Frozen Is Cause of Increased Number of Cancer Cases.

London, March 14.—The question was raised in the house of commons today whether frozen or chilled meat has any injurious effect on consumer, and especially whether such meat contributed to increasing the number of cases of cancer in the United Kingdom. President Long, of the local government board said that while he had no information to the above effect, he thought the matter might properly be referred to the Royal Commission of Inquiry into the causes of cancer which is now sitting.

CURRENT Was Turned on Him Three Times Before Physicians Pronounced the Law Fulfilled.

Condemned Murderer Walked to Electric Chair Repeating a Prayer His Mother Taught Him When He Was a Boy.

Ossining, N. Y., March 14.—Thomas Tobin was put to death today in the electric chair in Sing Sing prison, for the murder of Captain James B. Craft, in New York City. He walked to the chair uttering a prayer that his mother had taught him when a child.

Three shocks were given before he was pronounced dead. Tobin, an ex-convict, was employed in a tenderloin saloon in September, 1902, when Captain Craft, a wealthy Long Islander, visited the place. The captain displayed some money and a drug was put into his liquor. He quickly became unconscious and was robbed. The victim failing to recover consciousness, Tobin dragged him to the furnace room, cut off his head with a cleaver and threw it into the fire. After his conviction, Tobin exhibited signs of violent insanity, and was examined by a commission, the second of which reported that he was shamming.

STRUCK By a Switch Engine and Seriously Injured.

Joseph Zimmerman, an Employee of the C. H. & D. Coal Docks a Victim of Accident.

Joseph Zimmerman, an employee at the C. H. & D. coal docks, was hit by a switch engine and seriously injured about 2:30 o'clock this afternoon. He had started to cross the tracks near the coal dock and failed to notice the approach of the engine which struck him and hurled him from the track. He was unconscious when assistance reached him and seemed to have sustained serious injuries about the head and back. He was removed to his boarding place at 660 north Elizabeth street in Bennett's ambulance and the company surgeon was summoned to investigate and attend his injuries.

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CAN'T BREAK IT.

Wilkes Barre, Pa., March 14.—Effort to start the big ice gorge in the Susquehanna river above this city, were made today by dynamiting the front of the mass of ice. Great blocks of ice have been dislodged but the gorge remains intact. An effort will also be made to remove the gorge below this city by the use of dynamite. The railroad companies have hundreds of men at work clearing the railroad tracks and cutting roadways through the heavy ice which in many places is fifteen feet thick.

LARGE CROWD LINED ROUTE.

King Edward Held Second Levee of Season in Throne Room at St. James.

London, March 14.—King Edward held the second levee of the season in the throne room of St. James palace at noon today. Large crowds lined the route along which the king drove in state from Buckingham palace. The diplomatic corps was strongly represented including Ambassador Choate and other members of the United States embassy. The attendance of cabinet ministers, naval and military officers, peers and members of the house of commons was also larger than usual. The American's presented by Mr. Choate were Walter Neef of Chicago and Herman Kianicuit and Louis C. Hay, of New York.

GOOD REPORT FOR LAST YEAR.

Tennessee Coal and Iron Company Made Good Earnings for Year 1903.

New York, March 14.—The report of the Tennessee Coal, Iron and Railroad Co. for the year ended December 31st last, which was made public today, shows net earnings of \$2,889,957, an increase over the previous year of \$294,862. During the year \$2,267,741 was expended for construction and permanent improvement. There has been charged off against depreciation a total of \$1,351,077 within the last three years.

PRESIDENT INVITED.

Washington, March 14.—President Roosevelt has been invited to preside at a great popular meeting in the interest of home missions to be held at Buffalo next May, during the sessions of the general assembly of the Presbyterian church. The invitation was extended by the Rev. S. V. V. Holmes, pastor of the West Minister church in Buffalo, through Representative Alexander, of that city. The president who presided at a similar meeting in New York a few years ago, did not give a definite response to the invitation, indicating that he would do so at a later date. His acceptance is regarded as doubtful, however, as he has felt obliged to decline invitations of all kinds for this year.

GOT WOODRUFF.

Cincinnati, March 14.—The Cincinnati National base ball club today secured from the Indianapolis American Association club Orville Woodruff for a "Utility infielder."

SERIOUS COLLISION.

Cincinnati, March 14.—An express train on the Chesapeake and Ohio railway struck a street car on the Rose-dale line in Covington, Ky., seriously injuring Motorman Edward Porter and badly injuring Conductor George Seismore, Mrs. Ruffnath and Mrs. Van Honinger.

DICK REFUSES TO TALK ABOUT Foraker's Statement, Concerning Pending Factional Troubles—Swears in Wednesday.

Akron, O., March 14.—General Dick will leave Akron this afternoon at 4 o'clock for Washington. He expects to be sworn into the United States senate on Wednesday, the end of the 30 days period of mourning for Senator Hanna.

General Dick refuses to discuss in any way Senator Foraker's statement given out in Washington, Saturday, on the pending factional troubles in Ohio. "As stated in my address before the legislature when I was elected senator," he said, "I am for peace in the party, and I still believe that we can all live in harmony."

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Senator's Friends Declare That Governor With Characteristic Weakness Is Permitting Himself to Be Made a Cat-paw—Politicians All Agog Over Roosevelt's Announcement.

Columbus, O., March 14.—Governor Herrick refuses today to say anything further regarding the fight to be waged against Senator Foraker. "All has been said relative to the maintenance of the organization that I care to say at this time," declared the governor today. Upon that ground the entire fight is to be waged according to the most influential of the old guard Hanna men. The contention is to be urged that Foraker seeks to disrupt the organization. Replying, the Forakerites sneeringly declare that the governor with characteristic weakness is permitting himself to be made a cat-paw. "When there was a possibility of Herrick's advancement to the senatorship who were to furnish him the votes?" they ask. Would he have had any of Dick's strength, and what is the Dick strength but the old Hanna organization. Herrick's only supporters were Cox, Foraker, Harding and the Daugherty element. In consequence they accuse the governor of ingratitude and the prospect for the future are promising of lively skirmishing. President Roosevelt's announcement that he will hereafter consult Foraker's wish in future Ohio appointments has set the local politicians all agog.

MILITIA SENT HOME.

Columbus, March 14.—Acting under orders from Governor Herrick, Adj. Gen. Critchfield, today ordered all troops from Springfield. Mayor Bowler talked with the governor this morning and assured him that he considered all danger of further disturbances past. Attorney General Ellis has appointed Prosecuting Attorney

MORE TROOPS ARE NEEDED FOR CONQUEST.

Berlin, March 14.—In the reichstag today before the order of the day was taken up Dr. Stuebel, director of the colonial office, announced the receipt of a cable message from Col. Lieut. Wehn, governor of German Southwest Africa, saying that 800 cavalry, with two mounted batteries, were indispensable for subduing the Hereros of whom 1,000 were under arms and still occupying strong positions on both sides of the railroad. A bill providing these reinforcements will be introduced in the house as soon as it can be prepared.

POSTOFFICE INDICTMENT.

Committee Appointed by Congress to Investigate Charges Against Members in Session.

Washington, March 14.—The special committee of the house to investigate the postoffice "indictment" of members of congress continued its work behind closed doors from 10 to 12:40 o'clock today and then took a recess for lunch, the session to be resumed at 2 o'clock.

The committee is making detailed study of each case in the report and will send to the postoffice department for records in full. It will first determine those cases in which there appears on the surface an indication of wrong doing on the part of members, if there are any such, before taking the testimony of witnesses.

Much time, it is believed, will be saved by this preliminary work, which undoubtedly will consume several days.

CAR BARN BURNED.

Chicago, March 14.—The car barn of the Chicago Union Traction Co., at Blue Island avenue and Leavitt street, was destroyed by fire today. About 600 summer cars, stored in the building, were burned. The loss is estimated at \$150,000. Crossed electric wires caused the blaze.

SPRINGFIELD RIOT IS TO BE INVESTIGATED.

Springfield, March 14.—A special grand jury called to investigate last week's riot went into session today. Judge J. K. Mower delivered a vigorous charge. It will be a week before the actual investigation of the riots is started. The three saloon keepers arrested for defying Mayor Bowler's order to close, were released in police court today, there being no law for their punishment.

MICHIGAN HAS HEAVY SNOW STORMS.

Detroit, Mich., March 14.—A furious blizzard descended on Detroit and lower Michigan, during the night and the heavy snow fall, drifted by the high east wind, is delaying traffic considerably. Street cars in this city had as much trouble during the morning as at any time this winter. Several lines were almost completely paralyzed during the early hours.

FOUND DEAD IN DEEP WELL.

Strange Death of Young Lady, and Mysterious Disappearance of Her Lover.

Georgetown, Ohio, March 14.—The body of Isa Mathews, aged 17 was found in a well on the Taylor farm in Brown county, today. She was a domestic in the family of Jno. Beasley. She had returned a ring to Joe. Kelch last Thursday, but he persisted in calling and took her away in a buggy last Saturday. Since then Kelch has not been seen but he is said to have left a note disposing of money and indicating self destruction.

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COMRADE LOVE
By IZOLA L. FORRESTER
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She was working when he knocked and merely called, "Come in."
"I thought it was only you," she added, with a smile and a nod of welcome over her shoulder. "Isn't it a dream of a day? You are about five and a half minutes too late. Mab just went for a park tramp with her pockets full of cake for the squirrels and her heart full of love for all the world, especially the springy world. Goodbye."
"But I'm not going, thank you," he answered, laughing down at her. He drew up his favorite chair deliberately, the deep, lounging one, and seated himself beside her desk. The window was open, and a little Bookwood jar in soft greens and bronze browns stood upon the sill, holding a cluster of daffodils. There was a mass of scattered manuscript spread over the desk, and her eyes looked tired with forced thought. The breeze from the window had blown her hair into a fluffy, careless state, unlike its usual businesslike primness, and there were ink blots on her second finger.
"I'm going to stay here awhile," he said. "And I don't give a rap for your ladyship's permission. I have come to have a talk with you."
She looked at him amusedly. He had picked up her blue pencil and was marking stars on the back of the manuscript with it.
"So serious? Let's see." She laid down her pen resignedly. "Trux doesn't like the last effort of the mighty mind. Not up to the Burton standard. It's not wise to play ping-pong with your public, Dick. If they like your cream puffs and chocolate eclairs never try to give them the doughnuts and brown bread of realism. Is that it? Or were the last royalties below par? Or has Mab been teasing you, or what?"
He was not smiling now. There was a new earnestness in his eyes as he bent suddenly toward her.
"Comrade," he said, "am I good enough to ask the woman I love to marry me?"
It was very quiet in the large, restful studio apartment. The tap of horses' hoofs on the pavement far below foot-



ed up to them faintly, and there was a rumble as the wind stirred the leaves of paper on the desk. She was still smiling, but her head was turned to the window and the yellow daffodils and blue sky beyond. She was glad she was strong and had known all along that this must surely come. It was right too. She was glad for Mab, Mab in her glorious youth, who had swept into her life with the joy and promise of the springtime and had put new zest and hope in her by the very force of her ambition and confidence in all things.
And it was good that these two should marry, and the man who had been her friend and comrade so long—so long. There were the first days of her struggles, when she had met him haphazard. He was already one known and sought after even then, and he had smiled down at her, the frank, bright smile she had grown to look for, and told her to make a good fight and win out. She was sure to in the end. Only the weak ones fell on the line of march.
Then when success began to come slowly and she felt the foothold of surety beneath her feet his hand had been the first voice of congratulation to reach her and still urge her higher. It was a matter of years. She was thirty now. He must be nearly forty. She thought of Mab at eighteen and wondered if she could ever know and appreciate the value of the man who loved her, who was willing to lay the strength and honor of his life's success at her feet.
She knew him so well and had come to understand she was so necessary to him in his work that her voice was the first he sought in commendation. Each of his later plays he had read aloud to her, seated, as now, in the deep armchair beside her desk. They had discussed them together and planned and corrected and hoped and been true comrades. Now it was all at an end.
Something blurred the daffodils and blue sky from her sight, and he frowned.
"Don't," he said.
"Oh, I know, I understand." Her voice was low and uncertain, but she smiled back at him with the old cour-

LONDON'S SHOPLIFTERS.

Methods Employed by Some of the Stores to Avoid Arrests.
Though there is every appearance in all the great London shops that the public is to be trusted implicitly, an elaborate and carefully organized system of espionage prevails to circumvent the designs of the peripatetic thief and the marauding kleptomaniac.
The invisible detective, whose office is some unsuspected gallery in the ceiling, whence from artfully designed peepholes in the molding he can survey the whole establishment, is the most successful foil to the shoplifter. But there are only a few shops so structurally designed that surveillance of this kind is possible. Some of the jewellers' treasure palaces are guarded in this manner, and to make assurance doubly sure no attendant is without his satellite, who keeps a wary eye on the cases of gems exposed to the customers' inspection, standing at the salesman's elbow while he is showing them.
At all periods a careful watch is kept on those dress establishments that are pervaded by women, but more especially at sale time, for it is then that covetousness overwhelms morality most easily, and the crowded state of the shops favors the picker up of unconsidered trifles. A manager of one of the largest establishments in the metropolis says it is in those departments that are not so conspicuous that pilfering principally goes on and that in them detective supervision is always most acute.
Every shopwalker and counter attendant is in effect a detective, but there are some professionals who assume the guise to hide their real position. It is the duty of each attendant when he is suspicious of a customer to call the attention of the detective to her, not blatantly, but by prearranged sign. The detective then keeps the suspect under her immediate eye. In the large emporiums where women chiefly congregate the most efficient, because the least conspicuous, detectives are women, either employed as shopwalkers or as customers.
When an attendant misses or thinks he misses something or notices disturbing signs of thievery he speaks to the detective, who, as an elegantly garbed customer, seats herself in a position commanding a good view of the suspect and makes her purchases like any other woman, all the while gathering data upon which to proceed. The disguise assumed by the shop detective differs day by day.
If there be one result less desired by the shop proprietor than another it is to convict a kleptomaniac. Prosecutions do not forward business. The proprietor's policy is to prevent pilfering by every conceivable means. Hence a blind eye is turned to what is a theft in embryo, and the wretched shoplifter caught in the act of pilfering a blouse under cover of her waterproof is asked whether the article may not be sent home for her. To the bulging umbrella or the gaping handbag the detective alludes with an apology, fearing that madam has inadvertently incommode herself with something that fell from the counter.
First offenders are often cured by narrow escapes such as this from falling into the abyss that leads to the dock and gladly pay for the experience in coin of the realm as if they had all the while meant to purchase instead of to purloin the goods. Should leniency of such a kind fail to lead the trespasser back into the paths of rectitude the manager's office is made the scene of more serious negotiations, on which it is well to draw the veil. But as a rule it does not—London Mail.

ACT QUICKLY.
Delay Has Been Dangerous in Lima.
Do the right thing at the right time. Act quickly in times of danger. Backache is kidney danger.
Doan's Kidney Pills act quickly. Cure all distressing dangerous kidney ills.
Plenty of evidence to prove this: Mr. J. W. McKay, of 1149 West High street says: "I had a severe attack of pain and soreness across my loins and kidneys. The secretions from the kidneys became irregular, scanty and highly colored. I was not subject to such troubles, and such a severe attack coming on so suddenly rather alarmed me. I could hardly stoop on account of my back being so painful, and if I sat or lay in any one position my back ached severely. I was in pretty bad shape when I was advised to try Doan's Kidney Pills, and I procured a box at Wm. M. Melville's drug store and used it. It was only a matter of a few days before the trouble was thoroughly removed."
For sale by all druggists. Price 50 cents a box. Foster-Milburn Co., Buffalo, N. Y., sole agents for the U. S.
Remember the name—Doan's—and take no substitute.
BIG REDUCTION IN RATES
To California, Oregon, Washington and intermediate points. Tickets sold daily during March and April via Lake Erie & Western Railroad also Home Seekers' round trip and one way colonist tickets will be on sale at lower rates than ever offered before to many points in the west and southwest, on March 1st and 15th, April 5th and 19th. Address any ticket agent, L. E. & W. R. R. Co., or H. J. RHEIN, G. P. A., 15 Feb 24-4wks. Indianapolis, Ind.
S. W. Smith, Philadelphia—"My rheumatism has disappeared entirely since taking Hollister's Rocky Mountain Tea. Two packages made me a well man." 35 cents, tea or tablet form. H. F. Vorkamp.

BEER'S HONEY AND TAR is a delightful remedy for coughs, colds, lagrippe, croup, whooping cough, pneumonia and consumption. Made from the best clover honey and tarry distillations, combining all the virtues of both. It is mildly laxative, tonic and strengthening. An ideal remedy for the homesick children like it. Try it. For Sale by H. F. Vorkamp.
Origins of the Chesapeake Dog.
Many years ago a vessel from Newfoundland ran aground near an estate called Walnut Grove, on the shores of the Chesapeake. This estate belonged to Mr. George Law, a member of a well known Maryland family. On board the ship were two Newfoundland dogs, which were given by the captain to Mr. Law in return for kindness and hospitality shown to himself and crew. The beginning of the Chesapeake dog was a cross between these Newfoundlanders and the common yellow and tan colored hound, or coon dog, of that part of the country.
The marked characteristics of the Chesapeake bay dog give every evidence of the truth of this story. Its strong power of scent, its hardihood, its shorter hair, its medium size and its remarkable endurance come from the hound, while its love of water, its powers of swimming, its extraordinary ability to endure cold, its furry coat, wonderful intelligence and general good temper are all due to the Newfoundland. There has doubtless been added from time to time some water spaniel cross which has helped its remarkable retrieving qualities. The yellow and tan of the hound, combined with the black of the Newfoundland and the introduction of the spaniel, produced the liver color of the true Chesapeake bay dog. In course of time the Chesapeake bay has, in Maryland, become a distinctive breed—Forest and Stream.

FEARFUL ONES AGAINST HIM.
Bedridden, alone and destitute. Such, in brief was the condition of an old soldier by name of J. J. Havens, Versailles, O. For years he was troubled with kidney disease and neither doctors nor medicine gave him relief. At length he tried Electric Bitters. It put him on his feet in short order, and now he testifies, "I'm on the road to complete recovery." Best on earth for liver and kidney troubles and all forms of stomach and bowel complaints. Only 50c. Guaranteed by H. F. Vorkamp, druggist.

TWO AND A PLUM TREE

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They had been standing beneath the plum tree when they parted, or rather, when they parted.
They had set out for the plum tree with the full intention of gathering the great purple damsons which weighted its branches. But when Leahy they stood in the long shadow which the tree made in the afternoon sun damsons were the last things in the world of which they thought.
Betty, scarlet to the roots of her copper colored hair, withdrew all censorship from her tongue and said things which she would have indignantly disclaimed had any eye repeated them to her an hour later. Jerrold listened silently, but in his eyes was a strange look which she had never seen before. When in the midst of the tirade she paused for breath, he had turned suddenly on his heel, and with a curt "goodbye" cast over his shoulder—much as a bone would be thrown to a stray dog, Betty thought—had vaulted the low fence and gone wraithfully across the pasture.
Betty watched him until a clump of scrub oak hid him from view. Then she sat down with her back against the trunk of the plum-tree and thought it all over. As she thought angry tears came to her eyes, coarsed down her cheeks and splashed impudently on the hands clasped tightly in her lap. She sat there until the shadow of the tree had reached the fence, and the breeze coming in from the water made her shiver. She rose and turned her face toward the scrub oaks behind which he had disappeared.
"You left rather abruptly, Mr. Jerrold Neil," she said between her white teeth, "and you may stay away as long as you please. You're hardly worth crying over," she added as she brushed away her tears.
Neil next morning sat on the veranda of the casino, solemnly rolling and smoking innumerable cigarettes, which utterly failed to bring him the peace of calm he sought. Catboats with trim white sails were darting to and fro in the bay, and each one suggested the joys of a morning sail with Betty. But the memory of the parting at the plum tree was still strong within him.
A wretched hour dragged past, and he gave up his vain attempts to interest himself in the columns of the morning paper. He flung away his cigarette and, getting to his feet, strolled down the gravel path.
"I'm a fool," he mused, "and a brute. I needn't have left her in that fashion. By George! I'll go over to the plum tree and get some of those damsons. I'll send 'em up to her by Tom. She'll understand."
Mr. Jerrold Neil strode across the fields whistling a gay aria. He emerged from the clump of scrub oak in the pasture and made straight for the plum tree. As he spied the tree one note of the aria was prolonged into a whistle of surprise. Against the base of the tree was a stepladder, and among the branches he caught a momentary flash of white muslin. Then he resumed the aria, quite as if this delightful bit of information had not been vouchsafed to him.
He took down the stepladder, folded it up and calmly sat down on it. Something suspiciously like a gasp of dismay came from the branches above his head, but to this he gave no heed. With his chin in his palm he sat on the stepladder and sighed ponderously before he began to muse aloud.
"This strange," said Mr. Jerrold Neil beneath the plum tree—"his passing strange how the human heart will always seek the scenes of its affliction. It was here we quarreled"—another sigh. "She said—O Lord, what didn't she say? If I'm all she made me out she's well done with me"—sighs ad libitum.
He drew out a pipe and puffed and lighted it. By vigorous puffing he managed to send quite a respectable cloud of smoke up among the branches. A little choking cough rewarded his efforts, and it was with difficulty that he restrained a chuckle. Presently a wee, small voice crept down from the branches:
"Mr. Neil!"
Neil started violently.
"Ah," he said, "my trouble has brought on hallucinations! Methought I heard my own name. 'Twas Betty's voice, but far too small and weak."
"Mr. Neil!" This time the voice was loud and clear.
"There it goes again!" cried Neil. "Surely Betty's, yet she always called me Jerry, with such a pretty accent."
"Jerry, you—you wretch!" came the voice, accented to the queen's taste.
"Oh!" said Neil. "So it's really you, eh?"
"Yes—no. Don't look up, Jerry, please put the ladder against the tree, then walk across the pasture, and don't look back."
"Don't look up, don't look back," said he mockingly. "Suppose I comply. What do I get for it?"
"What do you want, you bagger?"
"A half hour's talk under the tree."
"You—you've got me cornered," she said. "I'll have to capitulate."
A few minutes later Betty sat on the stepladder, and Neil sprawled comfortably at her feet.
"Bet," he said, "I spent the most miserable morning of my life until I came over here. Tell me, when I came along were you thinking of me, or what?"
She laughed.
"I was wishing I might fall out of the plum tree and break my neck," she said.
"Madam," he said gravely, "since you are so reckless with your own life you'd better give it into my keeping."
And once more the damsons were forgotten—BARRY PRESTON.

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Making Old Furniture.
Much work is done in New York City in the reproduction of colonial and English furniture, but the best of it costs more to do here than it does abroad. Large quantities of modern "antiques" are also made in Philadelphia and are extensively sold as genuine. The cleverest reproducers in the world are the French, who copy the minutest details with perfect accuracy. Old wood from sheds and barns is used for the backs and interior of articles of furniture, and imitations of old fashioned locks are soaked in water and made to be thickly covered with rust. Bird shot is fired into the reproductions to make them appear worm eaten, and an ancient lock is imparted to wood by prolonged polishing and hand rubbing.—New York Post.
How to Save Gas Bills.
A North Broad street man who has a passion for reading the out of town newspapers and also for answering many of the advertisements he finds in them tells this on himself.
The other day he answered an advertisement in one of the New York papers stating that for \$1 a method for saving gas bills would be sent.
In two days he received a printed slip by mail which read, "Paste them in a scrapbook."—Philadelphia Ledger.
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CLOSE TO NATURE.

The American Farmer the Greatest Man in the World.

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Take proper care of your own body and all will be well—but allow the weeds to grow and you will reap a crop of sickness. Ella Wheeler Wilcox well says: "If you come into the world with weak lungs or anemic blood it will require more effort for you to become robust than for some well born virile child who has only to breathe or frolic to keep in health." "Fear nothing," says Dr. Pierce, "providing your blood is in good order—keep your mind on the fact that you were meant to live and it only needs a little effort on your own part to keep healthy and strong—aid your body of the poisons that are apt to accumulate and your system is ready to ward off the attack of the germs of disease." Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery makes rich, red blood by increasing the number of red blood corpuscles. There is no alcohol in this great tonic to shiver up the red blood corpuscles. An alternative extract, made only of herbs and roots, cures all the work in nature's way. Only good can come from its use as it stimulates the liver into proper action, and feeds the worn-out nerves, stomach and heart on pure blood.

OLD ENGLISH PAPER.
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It is the only paper in which certain persons are compelled to advertise and in which certain other persons cannot advertise for love or money. It yields a profit of \$100,000 a year.
Time was when the editorship of the Gazette was one of the spoils of office, worth \$4,000 a year. It was the recognized reward of party services in the press.
Under the old regime the Gazette had besides its editor a staff of five clerks appointed by the treasury, but in 1880 the treasury remodeled the management of the paper, found the staff employment elsewhere and left the whole responsibility of the Gazette on its publishers, Messrs. Harrison & Sons. The printing of the paper has been in the Harrison family since 1778. Absolute secrecy as to the contents of any forthcoming Gazette prevails at St. Martin's lane, and though there are a thousand workers in Messrs. Harrison's office, no item of news has ever leaked out before its time. Every sheet of copy is private and confidential until it appears for all the world to see. The copy for the Gazette is written in the government office, often by cabinet ministers themselves, and is invariably returned with the proofs. Each secretary initials his copy, and in cases of promotion in the services no paragraph is accepted even in proof without being initialed a second time.
Now and then on very rare occasions a piece of copy is received autographed by the sovereign.—Westminster Gazette.

APHORISMS.
Malice drinks one-half of its own poison.—Seneca.
It is not what he has or even what he does which expresses the worth of a man, but what he is.—Amiel.
As riches and favor forsake a man we discover him to be a fool, but nobody could find it out in his prosperity.—Ruyere.
There is a deportment which suits the figure and talents of each person. It is always lost when we quit it to assume that of another.—Rousseau.
So remarkably perverse is the nature of man that he despises those that court him and admires whoever will not bend before him.—Theoclydes.
A true man never treats about his place in the world, but just slides into it by the gravitation of his nature and swings there as easily as a star.—E. H. Chapin.
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There are some people who can lose fat to advantage, but the loss of flesh is one of the accepted evidences of failing health. As flesh-making processes begin in the stomach and continue through the bowels, we look first to the stomach for the cause. And the cause is generally found to be disease of the stomach and digestive and nutritive tracts, resulting in loss of nutrition and consequent physical weakness. Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery restores the lost flesh by curing diseases of the stomach and other organs of digestion and nutrition and enabling the perfect digestion and assimilation of food from which flesh and strength are made.
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NOTICE OF APPOINTMENT.
Estate of Daniel Stevick, deceased.
The undersigned has been appointed and qualified as executor of the estate of Daniel Stevick late of Allen county, Ohio, deceased.
Dated this 5th day of March, A. D., 1904.
WILLIAM L. STEVICK,
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LEGAL NOTICE.
Eugene Garau as Executor of the Last Will and Testament of David L. Garau, Deceased.
vs.
Della Krumen, et al., Defendants.
Defendants will take notice that on the 12th day of March, 1904, plaintiff as executor of the last will and testament of David L. Garau deceased, filed his petition in the court of common pleas of Allen county, Ohio, which case is numbered 11828 against Della Krumen and Adolph G. Gabas who reside at Leretta, Kentuckey, Mary Donze, a resident of Lincoln, Nebraska, children of Julia Estelle Gabas, deceased, and Laura Lefel, Leah Garau, Eliza G. Garau and Madeline Garau, children of William Garau deceased, who reside in the Republics of Switzerland and France in the grand division of Europe. The prayer of the petition is that the court give judgment and direction in regard to the true construction of the will of David L. Garau, deceased. Said defendants, heirs of Julia Estelle Gabas and William Garau, deceased, are required to answer and set up any claims they may have under said will or otherwise in regard thereto by the 23rd day of April, 1904, or they will be considered in default for answer.
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By WELTY & DOWNING,
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"Our little boy, Ray M. Cronk, was five years, is taking the Golden Medical Discovery," having had typhoid fever last April," writes Mrs. L. D. Cronk, Redfield, Oregon Co., N. Y. "He had a four week's run of the fever, then took cold and had a relapse which put him back five weeks and left him in a weakened condition. He has taken three bottles of Golden Medical Discovery, and three vials of your 'Pelllets,' and is getting to be a nice, fat little boy, for which we are very thankful. Mr. Cronk is going to have his photo taken soon and send you one, also little Ray's, so that you can see two more whose lives were saved by your medicine. I have saved. Our dealers are selling your medicine faster than ever before, since my husband's recovery, as every one gave him up to die, except myself. I had great faith in your wonderful medicine and knew they would help and cure him and I was not disappointed."
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Without Irrigation the Desert Lands of West Would Be Wholly Worthless.

Mines Lie Undeveloped Because They Are Remote From Civilization and Sustaining Agricultural Products.

Reno, Nev., March, 14, 1904.—(Special)—Senator Teller called the attention of his colleagues in the senate last week to the great mining discoveries made recently in Colorado. Colorado is fast becoming a Golden State, populous and productive. But greater than her production of the precious metals is her product of agriculture, and because of this fact of farm wealth her mines are prosperous and increasing. On the other hand look at her sister state of Nevada.

During the past twenty years, the population of Nevada has been slowly declining. It is a common remark that this is due to the exhaustion of its mineral resources and that its decadence must be accepted as a permanent condition.

The truth is that the mineral resources of Nevada are by no means exhausted. On the contrary, there are many localities where great ore bodies carrying profitable amounts of precious metals—often ranging from \$30 to \$60 per ton—lie entirely unworked. Contrary to popular opinion, the successful development of a mining district does not depend only on plenty of rich ore. That, of course is one of the requisites of success, but there are others.

Labor must be available; there must be a convenient base of supplies to assure the sustenance of man and beast; and, finally transportation facilities must be provided in order that the mining district may be accessible from the outside world and that its raw products may be carried to the smelter.

Those who know the mineral resources of the Western States and Territories are in the habit of saying, "the ground has only been scratched." The statement is literally true. There cannot be any thorough, scientific and economical development of mineral resources until the happening of certain big things which, in most localities, have proven to be wholly beyond the reach of individual enterprise and, very often, even beyond the reach of companies operating with enormous capital.

In the mountain and desert states most generously endowed with mineral wealth, irrigation is the great civilizer. It is the first step in the development of all the resources of the region. Towns, railroads, mining industries of every description, depend upon it. Irrigation is the broad and permanent foundation of the whole fabric of economic life in the West.

Nevada, a Typical Mining State. The case of Nevada is typical. It looks barren enough as the transcontinental traveler sees it from his flying train. And the census figures are not encouraging. Nevertheless, Nevada has abundant potentialities and will, some day, turn the laugh upon those who have made it the object of bitter and ceaseless derision. And irrigation is the golden key which will unlock the door of its really immense resources. If the land laws, now used for getting lands for speculation and for cattle grazing shall be repealed by congress, so that the government lands can remain government lands until they are irrigated by the government, and turned over to real homesteaders, then agriculture in the west will double and quadruple and mining and every western industry will jump forward. The government work, now progressing so well along

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HOSTETTER'S STOMACH BITTERS.

The Truckee river, promises much for Nevada. It will bring farmers to the state, and they will produce food for men and forage for beasts. Fortunately the public lands under the Truckee project have been reserved by the secretary of the interior from entry under the desert land law and they can only be taken under the five year homestead law. All such lands throughout the west which Uncle Sam may irrigate, this year, or next, or in the next 25 years, should be in effect so reserved.

But take the matter of the rich ore bodies of Nevada. Why do they lie undeveloped, in spite of the strenuous enterprise so characteristic of our time? Simply because they are remote from civilization. The cost of supplies in and of hauling the production out, is prohibitory. These districts, with their potentialities of wealth, are waiting for something to happen. And that something is irrigation.

The watering of lands in their neighborhood means, first of all, a permanent population which may be drawn upon to furnish labor in the development of the mines. Next, it means food for men and teams at prices which will permit the industry to flourish. Finally, it means an irresistible invitation to the iron horse, for the railroad ever follows where the forces of production point the way.

Western Mines Depend Upon Irrigation.

If the entire irrigated area of the west, some eight million acres, which practically constitutes the west, should suddenly revert to the desert, what effect would it have on the industrial life of the arid region and the business of the country at large? First of all, it would close a multitude of paying mines, now turning out tens of millions in value every year. It would knock down the value of railroad securities as never before and throw the stock exchanges into convulsions. It would cause an enormous shrinkage of real estate values, quickly followed by the depopulation of many localities now prosperous and growing. And eastern merchants and manufacturers would find that the bottom had dropped out of the biggest part of their western market.

We have but to reverse the proposition to understand what it means to double the irrigated area of the west. It means, of course, a vast increase in the number of paying mines and, consequently, in the annual production of precious metals. It means higher prices for railroad securities and real estate, and more business for eastern merchants and manufacturers. In a word, irrigation is the straight road to national prosperity—the surest influence making for its continuance and for its constant enlargement.

The stupendous enterprise of reclaiming the desert lands of half a continent, and settling them with a productive population, has now gone far beyond the bounds of private enterprise. It has become a national undertaking—a national aspiration. It is the latest and the biggest thing to which Uncle Sam has set his hand. And it will not only double, but increase tenfold, the irrigated area of the west.

Enormous Dividends.

Considered only in relation to mining, the new policy of national irrigation would be amply justified, for it would return vast dividends to the country on its investment in that way alone. But it is impossible to view it longer in that narrow light. It ramifies in every direction and sends its influence into every channel of the nation's life.

This conquest of natural resources in the wide west is a greater thing than the conquest of all the islands and archipelagos in the seven seas.

It means work and homes, independence and contentment, for future millions of our own countrymen. And it is another and more striking instance of "duty and destiny."

WM. E. SMYTHE.

BEST REMEDY FOR CONSTIPATION.

"The finest remedy for constipation I ever used is Chamberlain's Stomach and Liver Tablets," says Mr. Eli Butler, of Franklin, N. Y. "They act generally and without any unpleasant effect, and leave the bowels in a perfectly natural condition." Sold by all druggists.

SHAWNEE ITEMS.

Bert Mowery, of Cridersville, has rented the house on the I. J. Hall farm and will take possession in a short time.

Mrs. Anne Carey is on the sick list. Lippert & Co. shot their third venture on the Elmer DeLong farm, Wednesday noon, and it made a fair showing. The same company are getting timbers on the grounds to begin operations in a short time on the Mack Sellers farm. They will also begin drilling in a few days on their first venture on the Bitter farm.

Attempted Holdup.

While driving along the Breese-Yorkam road, Sunday evening, near the Hog Creek bridge, Dennis Harpster was approached by two unknown men who undertook to grab his horse's bridle. The animal gave a lunge, almost knocking one of the fellows to the ground, and the other struck Harpster on the shoulder with a heavy club. Harpster proceeded on his journey to the home of Joe Yorkam where he related what had happened, and several men went to the bridge where the tracks in the mud showed that the two men had gone back to the Lake Erie railroad, and gone in the direction of Hume. As the night was extremely dark, and Harpster was unable to get a good description of the assailants, no report was made to the officers. It was fortunate for the fellows that they attacked the right man as the most of the young men of this community are generally prepared for such occasions, since several attempts of a similar nature were made a couple of years ago. Quite a number of cases of petty thieving are being reported from all parts of the township during the last few weeks.

Missionary Meeting.

The Woman's Home Missionary Society, held a meeting at the home of Mrs. Anna Zurnehly with a dozen members present. Several important business transactions were looked after besides the election of officers which resulted as follows: President, Mrs. Anna Zurnehly; first vice president, Mrs. Lou Broderick; second vice president, Mrs. Iva Langstaff; corresponding secretary, Anna Hoyer; recording secretary, Mrs. Chas. Hoyer; treasurer, Mrs. Isaac Hall.

The next meeting of the society will be held at the home of Miss Anna Hoyer, April 7.

For the last few years, the teachers of the township have been making strong efforts to install school libraries into the different schools of the township, and the books that, now have a place in the various districts for the benefit of the residents of each district, are of a kind that parents need not fear bad results from the children reading and studying them.

Some new editions were added to the library at No. 3, and the library at that place now has the following volumes: "Gulliver's Travels," "Shelton Pines," "Christie's Old Organ," "A Girl of Today," "A Tinker's Escape," "Three Bright Girls," "Alice's Adventures in Wonderland," "The Scottish Chiefs," "Autobiography of Benjamin Franklin," "Sweet Girl Graduate," "Pilgrim's Progress," "Little Miss Dorothy," "The Young Buglers," "True to the Old Flag," "The Marble Faun," "Story of Electricity," "Black Rock," "John Halifax," "Playmates," "Among Ostreich Hunters," "Travels in Iceland," "Simon Dale," "Miss Mouse and Her Boys," Representative Men, Esther's Charge, Lee in Virginia, "Girl Neighbors," "Esther," "Six to Sixteen," "Knickerbocker's New York," "A Little Hero," Twenty Thousand Leagues Under the Sea, Little Men, A Dog of Flanders, Laddie, Robin's Ride, Story of an African Farm, All Aboard, Tennyson's Poems, The Last of the Great Scouts, Scarlet Letter, Boat Club, Old Curiosity Shop, Tom Brown's School Days, Tom Brown at Oxford, Aunt Diana, Anderson's Fairy Tales, In His Steps, The Ragamuffins and General Washington, Christian Stories, Tempest and Sunshine, Robinson Crusoe, A Hero in Peace and War, Opening a Chestnut Burr, Miss Lou, Whittier's poems, Lives of the Presidents, Carpenter's Geographical reader of Asia, Geographical Reader of North America, In the Reign of Terror, Stories of Ohio, Jack Archer, Four Little Mischiefs, Whispering Winds, The Rosebud, Little Sunshine's Holiday, and the following biographies in separate volumes: Life of Lincoln, James Otis, John Adams, Daniel Webster, John Randolph, Benjamin Franklin, Henry Clay, Thomas Jefferson, George Washington, Samuel Adams, John Hancock, and Alexander Hamilton, and also Swiss Family Robinson, Chatter Box, Through the Lookingglass, Red Fairy book, Jack and the Bean Stalk.



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SECRET ORDERS.

Lima Acric number 370, Fraternal Order of Eagles, has launched a new departure in secret order circles by adopting a recommendation from its entertainment committee to hold religious services in its lodge rooms at regular stated intervals.

The entertainment committee of the Eagles' lodge has signed a contract with that famous entertainer and theatrical enterprise promoter the "Great Lafayette" for a two-night's appearance of his latest show to be given in this city, in the Faurot opera house, on the evenings of Wednesday and Thursday, March 23 and 24. The entertainments will be given under the auspices of the local lodge of Eagles and the net proceeds will go to the lodge's benefit fund. The show is a big seven-act vaudeville production and is said to be the best attraction of the kind on the road.

Thursday evening the local lodge of Elks initiated four candidates for membership in the order and, after their secret work, held a jolly social session. The candidates initiated were Chas. Herbst, John Gunther and Lieut. Roy Layton, of Wapakoneta, and Scott McGinnis, of this city. Quite a number of the Wapakoneta members of the order attended the initiatory work.

Next Thursday evening popular Sammy Tigner, the tobacco dealer and salesman, will be initiated into the local lodge of Elks.

If troubled with weak digestion, belching or sour stomach, use Chamberlain's Stomach and Liver Tablets and you will get quick relief. For sale by all druggists.

The Soft Answer. Mrs. Enspeck—Oh, you needn't talk! You're not quite perfection yourself, I would have you know.

Enspeck—No, my dear, but when you're around I'm mighty near perfection.

Mrs. Enspeck—Oh, Henry!—Baltimore American.

Educational Item. "Have you heard the latest educational item?" asked Biggs. "No," replied Wiggs. "What is it?" "They have just decided," said Biggs, "to rewrite the primer in words of five syllables for Boston children."—Smart Set.

Heroism is simple, and yet it is rare. Every one who does the best he can do is a hero.—Josh Billings.

A SEVERE COLD FOR THREE MONTHS. The following letter from A. J. Nussbaum, of Batesville, Ind., tells its own story. "I suffered for three months with a severe cold. A druggist prepared me some medicine, and a physician prescribed for me, yet I did not improve. I then tried Foley's Honey and Tar, and eight doses cured me."

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"I have called to solicit your vote on behalf of Mr. —," said the young lady. "But it's not me that's got the vote. It's my man," replied the woman.

"Yes," said the young lady, "but I thought you might perhaps use your influence with him."

"Me influence him?" said the good wife. "I hiv une influence wi' him. Only this morning I askt him to wash the floor afore he went out and he wadnae dae it."

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O. E. BENNETT,
Foreman of Times-Democrat Press Room.

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T. A. COLLINS,
Circulation Manager THE TIMES-DEMOCRAT.

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WEATHER.

Washington, March 14.—For Ohio:
Snow tonight except fair in extreme
southwest portion, colder in central
portion; Tuesday, fair; brisk north
winds.

CONGRESSIONAL CONVENTION.

The democrats of the 4th congres-
sional district of Ohio will meet in
convention in Celina, Ohio, on Tues-
day, March 15, 10 a. m., to place in
nomination a candidate for member
of congress to represent the 4th Ohio
Congressional District in the congress
of the United States and for the fur-
ther purpose of transacting such other
business as may properly come before
said convention.

The basis of representation in the
convention will be one delegate for
every one hundred votes or fraction
of fifty votes cast for Herbert S.
Bigelow at the election in 1902, the
delegates to be selected in conformity
to rules prescribed by the central com-
mittee of each county. Under the
said apportionment the several coun-
ties will be entitled to representation
as follows:

Allen county	49 votes
Auglaize county	38 votes
Darke county	50 votes
Merger county	31 votes
Shelby county	28 votes
Total, 196 votes; necessary to choice, 99 votes.	

GEORGE V. SCHAFFER,
Chairman.
A. E. SCHAFFER,
Secretary.

Did anybody ever see a gamier or
better fight for harmony than the Re-
publican-Gazette is putting up?

Foraker has a chip on his shoulder,
in which respect he does not differ

from the editor of the Knock Out Sul-
livan organ.

"Fire Alarm" Foraker is holding the
gun, and Roosevelt is making the bul-
lets with which to kill all republicans
in office, or wanting office who are not
willing to play Fido to them.

The Panama canal commissioners
will get a regular salary of \$12,000
per year, and fifteen dollars a day
extra while they are on the isthmus.
The extra is to ward off shagras fever.

The postoffice pile having been dis-
posed of, the bargain counter has
moved from Lima to Columbus where
it will be put up, and "crippled veter-
ans of the bread and butter brigade"
asked to come and help themselves.

Hall, Henderson, Ashton, of Ten-
nessee, Vermer and Rumbaugh will
still be allowed to vote the republican
ticket, but cannot have any of the
"roast-veal" that goes to make feder-
al pie. Thus saith the "Iowa Idea."

Joseph Benson Foraker has another
suppose coming. In a tirade against
Dick, Herrick and all Hanna republic-
ans, issued by him Saturday night,
he says:

"I supposed when Senator Hanna
died, there would be no longer any
contention over delegates."

The senior senator has since heard
from Sullivan, and on Saturday, there
came to him news of what Dick and
Herrick intended doing.

The controversy between Editor Mc-
Fadden, of Steubenville, and Editor
Meyer, of Bellaire, has shifted from
politics to religion. Mr. Meyer serving
notice on Mr. McFadden that he
doesn't wish to go to heaven if the lat-
ter is to be the judge of the qualifica-
tions of those who enter.—Columbus
Dispatch.

How like the controversy the Re-
publican-Gazette is carrying on with
itself. It has served notice, not on
McFadden, but on every Hanna repub-
lican in the Fourth Congressional dis-
trict that if they want to get into the
Republican-Gazette's political heaven,
they must subjugate themselves to
that paper's yoke.

A BILL TO DESTROY.

Congressman Grosvenor says the
title of the Chapman bill ought to be
changed so as to read: "A bill to de-
stroy the republican majority in Ohio."
There are a good many people in
Ohio, and quite a few outside of demo-
cratic rank, who will agree with
Grosvenor; and a big majority of
them will help to make his prediction
good.—Kenton Democrat.

BREACH OF FAITH.

As Chan. Dick is only a member
of the house, why should he expect
the president to consult him in ap-
pointments? When he is sworn in as
senator, he will be persona grata at
the White House, and his "Ipse-Dicks-
it" amount to something. Delays are
sometimes very fortunate.—Republi-
can-Gazette.

Delays caused by the payment of
proper and customary official respect
to the memory of a deceased friend.

Distress After Eating

Nausea between meals, belching, vom-
iting, flatulency, fits of nervous head-
ache, pain in the stomach, are all
symptoms of dyspepsia, and the longer
it is neglected the harder it is to cure it.

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well, have no nausea in my stomach, no
burning and no distress." Mrs. WILLIAM
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Hood's Sarsaparilla promises to
cure and keeps the promise.

can never prove unfortunate, and
those who took advantage of Dick's
conformity to custom, and his posi-
tive agreement with the president
that Ohio federal patronage would be
held off until the usual senatorial
mourning period had passed, will find
their failure to pay proper respect to
the memory of Senator Hanna, not
only an unfortunate, but an expensive
breach of party and political faith.

SOME EXCERPTS.

The following choice bon mots are
taken from Sunday morning's Republi-
can-Gazette.

"The little trick of calling the two
Lima and Spencerville companies to
Springfield was hatched at Columbus,
and was for the very purpose of dis-
franchising the brave boys at the pri-
mary election."

"The recent political cyclone in
Northwestern Ohio has left a number
of crippled old veterans of the bread
and butter brigade out in the cold,
and it has become necessary to estab-
lish a hospital in Columbus for the
wounded who ran up against the civil
service buzz-saw (Foraker) at Wash-
ington, and got sawed off."

"There were a half dozen vacant
pegs on the wall. Henderson came
in late and took one. There are five
yet for the boys when they return.
They have the trade mark, G. O. P.,
but no coat of arms on the hook—simply
marked, 'take one.'"

Hanna Men Will Be Cared For.
The state administration made it
known yesterday that the men who
fall fighting behind the Hanna breast-
works will be cared for. Every fed-
eral employe who is ousted at Sena-
tor Foraker's behest will be appointed
to a state office by Governor Her-
rick.

Hall at Lima, Cluett, at Napoleon,
and Sullivan at St. Marys, the three
postmasters or postoffice applicants,
whose scraps were taken by Foraker,
will receive state jobs.

If Foraker's guns cause more cas-
ualties, the wounded will be tenderly
cared for."

BRISTOW'S REPORT.

The congress of the United States
is in an awful state of mind over the
recent report of Fourth Assistant
Postmaster-General J. L. Bristow. He
has found several scores of represen-
tatives and senators guilty of viola-
tion of department rules, and made
an official statement to that effect. He
has furnished campaign material to
the opponents of these members of
congress in the political campaigns
for nomination and election, and he
has placed Mr. Roosevelt's administra-
tion in a position of judgment and
condemnation of many republican
leaders in congress. He has branded
them as law breakers and marked
them as suspects in their govern-
mental dealings. It is very evident
that he has struck intentionally or
otherwise, a serious blow to the re-
publican party at a critical time. He
has placed its most active leaders up-
on a personal defensive policy, which
will prevent them being aggressive
for themselves or the party in the
campaigns to come. The republican
members of congress are in ill hum-
or on account of being pilloried as viola-
tors of the law by Bristow. "He has
undoubtedly done many of them a
great injustice. Possibly he is not
through with them yet. Bristow is
poultice in his methods. He may
have had many congressional inter-
views taken by his stenographers hid-
den behind screens in his office. That
seems to be the strong point of his
administration, and there is no tell-
ing how far he has carried it into play
with the men who have had business
in his office. Congress should insist
upon publication of Bristow's notes as
well as his reports. The country
wants to know all that Bristow knows
about wrongdoing. Mr. Roosevelt
should send Bristow's private reports
to congress in a special message. Mr.
Roosevelt should insist upon the pub-
lication of all reports of Bristow's in-
spectors and special agents immedi-
ately. The public is entitled to all

the information gathered at public
cost and by public officials. Let it
come out now, and let the people
know the full particulars of the ad-
ministration for the past eight years.
Mr. Roosevelt cannot afford to with-
hold it.—Cincinnati Enquirer.

THE LOWER MOTIVE.

Its Application to a Loudly Crying
Child in a Car.

The child was screaming lustily on
the elevated train. Unreasonably it
insisted on getting off and going home
between stations. The passengers were
that look of patient endurance which
so frequently overpowers murderous
desires. Vainly the mother appealed
to the child's regard for the suffering
public, to its duty to itself in such
phrases as "Folks don't like to hear a
little boy cry" and "Be a good child
and listen to mamma." But each ap-
peal seemed to be a stimulus to re-
newed vigor, says a writer in Scrib-
ner's Magazine. At length the mother
announced that doubtless there were
bears at the next station that ate up
little boys who cried. The youngster
ceased instantly, apparently as much
through interest in outwitting the bears
as through fear. He became cheerfully
curious and pressed his tear stained
face to the pane. To the afflicted pas-
sengers never was there a more pleas-
ing pervocation. Those who had
frowned now smilingly shared the lit-
tle one's interest in this alleged fact in
natural history. A happy, contented
air pervaded the car. The ethics of
the situation distressed no one.

But need we fear to discuss it? Here
was one young child pitted against a
car full of people, some doubtless bank
presidents, perhaps a judge or two, es-
timable women going to read papers,
it was a contest too ridiculous to be
tolerated. Plainly the important thing
was to still that one strong young
throat even if it became necessary to
disturb its tender young ethical stand-
ards; for the time must come when it
would learn the truth about those bears
and perhaps pause a moment or two at
other of its mother's statements. But
in any case the greater immediate good
to a number of innocent people cer-
tainly overbalanced the lesser, remote
evil to one young, unreasonable boy.

ALWAYS A BATTLE.

Unceasing Working of the Law of
Competition in Nature.

"How peaceful this all is!" exclaimed
the city sojourner on an outing, look-
ing across the wooded valleys and over
the grass grown hillsides. It was the
"vesper time" of the day, insects hum-
med drowsily, and here and there a be-
lated bird winged slowly westward.
"Look a little more closely," said the
native, "and let me give you a few en-
lightening facts. You will find that the
law of competition is as deadly, the
survival of the fittest, as unerringly
death dealing, throughout this same
peaceful scene as in any center of the
street in the midst of a bull and bear
fight. For instance, look there at that
small cedar struggling pitifully in the
toils of the luxuriant growth of 'poison
ivy' that almost covers it. The casual
observer notes the contrast of the foil-
age, a pretty sight, and gives no
thought to the war of life and death
the two are waging. Wherever the ce-
dar puts up a stronger branch there
fastens another tendril with strangling
grip, and another cedar bud is 'nipped
in the bud.' In this bit of broken
fence a dozen different plants are
struggling up through the few crevices
of light in its close set boards. The fall
of that fence is what we would call a
'crushing circumstance,' a 'mysterious
dispensation of Providence,' should
similar things happen in our lives.
Then see this ant hurrying home with
the carcass of a butterfly bug in his
claws, presumably for supper, possibly
to salt down for winter. And here is a
fly battling hopelessly with the meshes
of what you lately called a 'beautiful
spider web.'"

"Hush!" interrupted the metropol-
itan. "I get enough of it in my own
world. Let me keep my superficial
view, and you may keep your 'enlight-
ening facts.'"—New York Tribune.

Whistler's White Lock.

As long as the name of James Mc-
Neill Whistler lives among those who
saw him it will recall the famous white
lock which stood out so conspicuously
from the mass of his black hair. It
was, as he used to say himself, "well
placed," and was always treated from
the harmonious point of view, to devel-
op its greatest effect in his appearance.
One day when Dorothy Menpes, daugh-
ter of the well known English artist,
Mortimer Menpes, was a baby and was
asleep on her pillow, Whistler went to
see her. A white feather had by chance
settled on her head and lay in a spot
exactly corresponding with the white
lock on his own head. "That child is
going to develop into something great,"
he exclaimed, "for, see, she begins with
a feather, just like me!"

None on Hand.

Doc Squires was a queer old "yarb"
doctor of decidedly limited education
who flourished in New England a good
many years ago. One day some one
said to him:

"See here, doc, have you any diplo-
ma?"
"Waal, no. I ain't got none on hand
just now, but I'm goin' to dig some
soon as the ground thaws out in the
spring."—Lippincott's.

The Practical Side of It.

"Father, have you read my ode 'To
the Pines'?" asked the youthful poet.
"No, John, I haven't," was the old
man's reply. "But you just take this
here ax an' cut down a few 'em. The
pines are owin' me 'bout ten cords o'
wood!"—Atlanta Constitution.

How It Happened.

Rooney—Where did ye git the black
eye, Molke?
Clancy—Why, Tim Dolan's just back
from his honeymoon, an' 'twas me ad-
vised Tim to git married.—Judge.

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WANTED—To rent. A house of 5 or
6 rooms or half of double house with
modern conveniences for family of
two. West of Main street. Ad-
dress G. care of this office. 23-3t

WANTED—A good girl or middle
aged woman to do general housework.
Apply at 734 south Main street at
once. 31-3t

WANTED—Small house, modern, or
about four rooms for light house-
keeping, with bath. Address House
Hunter, General Delivery, Lima,
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washing, small family, good wages.
Call at once. 522 west Market
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FOR RENT—Some people seem to
prefer to pay rent all their lives
while others buy a house and lot of
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and in a few years own a beautiful
home of their own. Which class do
you belong to? Office 29 Holmes
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FOR RENT—Three nicely furnished
upstairs rooms with heat. Inquire
at 219 south West street. 29-3t

FOR RENT—Seven room house on
west McKibben street. Enquire of
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of the Deisel block Nos. 135 and 137
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for rent. Rent reasonable. Will
rent a few rooms for sleeping pur-
poses to men only. Call on M. J.
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FOR SALE—Piano. Will sacrifice my
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teed. Worth \$375. Will sell for
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ing city. 125 west North street. 30-3t

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dress M. O. Resler, 158 south Pine
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machine, scales, cash register.
Everything belonging to a first class
meat market. Invoice about \$1,500.
Will sell for \$900, if sold at once.
Proprietor compelled to go to Hot
Springs. Address G., care of this
office. 29-3t

FOR SALE—Eggs for hatching, from
white Wyandottes, scoring 96 1/2
points. Fifteen eggs \$1.00; 50 eggs
\$2.75; 100 eggs \$5.00. Call on H.
C. Jenkins 427 north Washington
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LOST—A set of pipe wrenches and
plumber's tools in leather satchel,
near C. & E. track. Finder please
call new phone 718 or return to

Lima Implement Co., and receive
reward.

LOST—A half breed Angora cat, gray
and white with black rings around
its tail. Reward offered for her re-
turn to 734 west Market street. It

IN FIELD OF SPORTS.

Men and Horses.

John McCartney, the well known
horse journalist, is in Lima to get a
line on the Linneman sale, which took
place today. Mack has heralded the
event in the columns of the leading
sporting journals, and expects his pre-
dictions as to the success of the sale
to be met in every particular. A
number of prominent breeders and
trainers were early on the scene, and
there was no limit to the hope for the
approaching season, administered in
the lobbies of the hotels yesterday.

Challenge Accepted.

Employees of the postoffice, who re-
cently posted a challenge at the
Brunswick alleys to meet any rep-
resentative organization in the city,
were notified Saturday that the pro-
position had been accepted. The
Palist team, which won three straight
games from the Veterans, have ar-
ranged to meet the postoffice aggre-
gation and the contest will likely take
place tomorrow evening.

Hamilton Backs Out.

The Hamilton basket ball team,
which was to have played Lima high
at the auditorium, Friday evening, has
cancelled the game. The date was ar-
ranged before the Piqua game, and
after the defeat of the latter by Lima,
Piqua went to Hamilton and won a
decisive victory. Hamilton therefore
figures that the chances of winning
at Lima are too slim to make the
game interesting, and retires from the
field.

WOULD WEAR THE WEEDS.

Clergyman Tells of Amusing Ex-
periences Met With in Work.

"My first church," says a certain elo-
quent and greatly beloved Washington
clergyman, "was in a small country
town, and before I learned the hearts
of my parishioners their ways had to
quest my gravity at the most inopportu-
nate time. I shall never forget the
first funeral at which I officiated. It
was that of a man who had been
stricken down in the prime of life,
leaving a widow who had been an al-
most bedridden invalid for years. The
services were conducted at the home
of the deceased, and when I appeared
I was told that the widow was too ill
to leave her bed, so in order that she
might hear my discourse I was asked
to stand near a half open door which
led into her bedroom. I had admired
the dead man for his sturdy Christian
qualities, and every word of the eulogy
I delivered came straight from my
heart. As I went on with my talk I
suddenly remembered the widow and
turned toward her door in order that
she might hear better. I had not seen
her, but as I looked toward her room
my eyes fell upon her, and for full
half a minute I was obliged to bury
my face in my handkerchief. She was
lying in bed, her arms in their white
cambric sleeves stretched out on the
counterpane, and on her head was a
new mourning bonnet, with a long
crave veil. She was not able to be
dressed, but wear a widow's bonnet
she could and did.

"My first wedding, too, was an event
long to be remembered," went on the
same clergyman. "It was performed
at my house, and the bride and bride-
groom were perfect strangers to me.
She was fully six feet tall and broad
in proportion, while his head reached
scarcely to her shoulders as they en-
tered the room. I learned afterward
that she was extremely sensitive about
the disparity in their sizes, and I had
good reason to believe it, for as they
came forward to take their places and
the witnesses began to come in the
bridegroom paused and moved a chair
forward. The bride looked at me in
great embarrassment. Then she seated
herself resolutely.

"I'm feeling faint," said she. 'If you
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"And with as much gravity as I
could muster I married her sitting."—
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WHILE NED BALKED

By RUBY DOUGLAS

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The rain was falling in torrents as the congregation came out of the little church at Lima. Ned had been married the day before, and the bride and groom were waiting for the wedding party to arrive. The bride was looking lovely in her white gown, and the groom was looking handsome in his tuxedo. They were standing under the old-fashioned umbrella, and the bride was holding the groom's arm. The wedding party was waiting for them, and the guests were coming in. The bride and groom were looking at each other, and the bride was smiling. The groom was looking at the bride, and he was smiling. The bride and groom were looking at each other, and the bride was smiling. The groom was looking at the bride, and he was smiling.

The women tucked up their skirts and huddled together on the shallow porch while the men made dashy dashes through the rain to heavy homes for umbrellas or to the old-fashioned top umbrellas in which they had driven to church. They returned laden with protection of some kind for the frills and flounces.

"Land sakes, Inez, whatever 'it' you do," asked a prim-looking old lady in black of a pretty girl in a pale blue frock at her side. "You'll never walk that two miles in this rain and in that get up."

Inez Taylor looked anxiously out at the willful little raindrops dancing on the board walks. "I'll just wait here until it's over, Aunt Betty," she answered, but her pretty blue eyes looked ready to help the rain with their



tears. She was thinking of the mud through which she must walk even when the rain ceased, and she looked down sadly at her dainty French heels and the billowy ruffles of her new wedding dress.

As the rain poured on an old white horse attached to an equally ancient black buggy stopped in front of the church. The occupant, a young man, pulled from beneath the seat some side curtains and prepared to put them on.

"Well, I'm blessed if that ain't Robert Davis!" cried Aunt Betty. "Robert, oh, Robert, come!"

"Don't, Aunt Betty," interrupted Inez quickly as she drew back into the church door. But she was too late. The young man had heard and was on the porch in a minute.

"Robert, you're just the man we want. You can take Inez home, for you're a-goin' right by the house. Ain't it fortunate?" Aunt Betty might have observed from the expression of her niece's face and the somewhat embarrassed attitude of the young man that they did not agree with her.

"I shall be only too glad, Mrs. Withers, to drive you and Miss Inez home. Old Ned is slow, but he gets there in time," said the young man, looking directly at the elder woman and avoiding Inez's eyes.

"Oh, but I ain't a goin' home. I'm a goin' to step right across the way to take dinner with Susan and Matilda, and you and Inez will have more room anyhow. That's a dear boy." She patted him affectionately on the arm, as he could not reach the big, broad shoulders.

"Inez, let me see your mother? Come, Inez, let me see your mother? Come, Aunt Betty, wouldn't it be a question than she expected to have answered?"

Inez drew back into the church. "Aunt Betty, I can wait until the rain is over and not bother Mr. Davis," she said, averting her eyes from the young man, who stood awkward and silent.

"Nonsense, child! As if you and Robert hadn't driven home together many a time. Better, indeed! Come away, child!"

Aunt Betty was perfectly right. They had driven together many a time, and perhaps if the old white horse could talk he might add that the conversation would not convey the impression that either one was "bothered." But it was fully a month since he had jogged along before his handsome young master and the fair Inez, whom he had ventured to think was his mistress to be.

"Come, Inez," said Bob, looking into her eyes for the first time.

"Very well, I suppose I must," she replied, tucking up her skirt and stepping ahead of him. He thought she had never looked so pretty, a little perturbed but becoming to Inez.

"Tuck in her dress, Robert," said Aunt Betty when the young people were in the seat, "and don't let her spoil her bonnet. Goodby!"

land, said, "I'm sorry, Inez, that you had to come with me against your wishes, but it could not be."

"So am I, very sorry indeed, Mr. Davis," she interrupted, pulling her hand from his. "Nothing further need be said."

The lapse into silence again Bob thought of the many times she had not been reluctant to drive with him and a certain moonlight night not so long ago when she had put her pretty head on his shoulder and told him he might hold the reins of life for her all ways. He thought too, of another night when they had quarreled and of how she took the ribbons from his hands and urged Ned to hurry, so she might be soon rid of his company, she said. He knew she did not mean it. She was angry and they were both stubborn.

"Inez," he began again, "won't you?"

"No, I won't do anything you ask, Mr. Davis. Please hurry. I wish to get home." And Inez moved farther into the corner of the seat. She was provoked to think they had met in this way, and while she was longing to be friends with him again, she also wanted him to apologize for all the cross things he had said to her on that night, and for all she had said to him. She wanted to see how long he would wait, and this chance meeting had spoiled it all.

"Get up, Ned; get up," said Bob, touching his faithful old friend lightly with the whip. Ned, who had a few ideas of his own, thought a nice little rest under the dripping trees would be a good thing for him and incidentally help along matters behind him and refused to move. He had balked. It was not the first time, and both the occupants of the buggy knew what it meant. Ned would go when he was ready, and not until then. Perhaps both minds remembered an occasion when one of Ned's tantrums was a welcome accident.

"This is most annoying," said Inez, looking ready to cry.

"Yes? Ned is stubborn too?" Bob placed a decided accent on the last word.

Inez hit her lip. Why did he not apologize?

"I shall get out and walk," she said after Bob had urged Ned in vain to trot along.

"Don't be foolish, Inez," said Bob a little crossly. "If you will get out myself if my company is so very distasteful to you. And throwing back the rubbers, he prepared to get out. The rain was coming down as persistently as ever, and he stopped to turn up his collar and trousers. As he placed his feet on the step to alight Inez caught the end of his coat.

"Bob, you'll get wet!" she cried, pulling at his coat. He did not turn around and stepped out into the mud and rain, jerking his coat from her a little roughly. She was ready to cry.

"That's better than freezing," he retorted.

"Please, please come back, Bob," and Inez burst into tears. That settled it. "Inez, sweetheart, I'm a-brute. I know it. Forgive me, darling," he said as he jumped into the seat and took her in his arms. Ned thought it was now time to jog along.

"Take the Inez, Bob," she said as Ned started, and she looked up from the wet shoulder, "and never, never drop them again!"

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The pattering of the raindrops on the buggy top and the splashing of old Ned's hoofs in the muddy road were the only sounds which broke the silence in the vehicle. Neither one had spoken after Aunt Betty's framed toward his fair companion and, talking her

HIS WINTON SLOWNESS

By HARRIET G. CANFIELD

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The first Winton that "came over" had incurred the lasting displeasure of the first Albright. I believe he had been slow in paying a debt—at least there was a general impression that "the Winton slowness" was responsible for the feud. Beyond a doubt the present Wintons—father and son—were slow of speech and movement. Mrs. Winton and Sue did not share in the family failing.

When Amos Albright's wife had died he had persuaded a younger brother to "move in and run the farm"—they were two miles out of town—and Grace, who was then fifteen, was sent east to a young ladies' seminary. During her four years' absence from Hightwood her once vivid recollections of the enmity between the Albrights and Wintons grew dim and shadowy. When, on the day following graduation, she was invited to spend a week at a classmate's home it was with no feeling of apprehension that she heard her friend say, "Brother George has asked Jack Winton to come down with him from Harvard, and we shall be quite gay."

The Wintons that she knew had a son, but his name was John. This young man proved to be well built, self-possessed and clear of skin, and John Winton had been a long, lank, freckled boy, very bashful, she remembered. To be sure there was a certain drawl in her new acquaintance's speech, which reminded her of "that boy," but perhaps all Wintons were slow spoken.

The four young people thoroughly enjoyed the week they spent together, and I was with delight that Jack Winton discovered on the eve of his departure that Miss Albright's destination was the same as his own. "I'm glad that we travel together," he said.

"Yes," Grace assented hesitatingly. Jack's face flushed, and he turned to his host with the explanation. "Miss Albright has just recognized an old enemy in your humble servant."

"Oh, no!" Grace protested. "If our fathers are foes we need not be. And she held out her hand to him, with a friendly little gesture."

During the three days' journey westward their friendship progressed rapidly. They were in the midst of one of many animated conversations when Mr. Amos Albright boarded the train at X, a station some thirty miles from Hightwood. Grace saw him coming down the aisle.

"There is father," she said hurriedly. "He'll not recognize you, I'm sure! I believe I'll introduce you as Mr. Jack."

When Mr. Albright bent to kiss his daughter's upturned face he looked keenly at the young man beside her. "Mr. Jack, father," Grace murmured and blushed guiltily when the two men shook hands gravely, and Jack offered the newcomer his seat.

"I'll move opposite," he said in his pleasant drawl. "If you don't object." Before they reached Hightwood he found himself drawn into the conversation. To his daughter's delight Mr. Albright seemed to enjoy talking with her friend. "Sensible young man," he said to Grace when Jack went into the smoking car just before the train pulled into Hightwood. On the homeward drive he spoke of him again. "Two seldom met a young man," he said, "as intelligent as Mr. Jack. Queer name, isn't it? If my eyes were what while he was talking I'd declare he was Winton."

"He is, father," Grace confessed. "He is Mr. Jack Winton."

Amos Albright looked at his daughter for a moment in dumb amazement. "I'm sorry," he said at last, "but that settles him."

Jack Winton refused to be thus summarily "settled." The next day he came to call and was received so cordially by his unwilling host that he knew at once that his identity had been revealed.

"Mr. Albright," he said in his deliberate way, "I'm Winton, as you've evidently discovered, but the Wintons are not such a bad lot, after all. Aren't you a bit prejudiced?"

"Not a whit more than your father is, Mr. Albright said stiffly.

"Yes, I know. Mother and Sue hadn't a word to say when I spoke of calling here, but the paper raised a storm—at least for me against me. Really, now, what have you against me—the Winton slowness?"

"Yes, I have a legend in anything. That's enough to condemn you, sir! My daughter can receive you, if she wishes, whenever you may call, but I must ask you to excuse me now—and always."

A chilling request, but Jack went away happy in the thought that Grace still considered him as a friend and had asked him to come again.

In spite of the enmity between the heads of the two houses Mrs. Winton and her daughter were exchanging calls with Grace Albright before the summer waned. Amos Albright still disapproved of Jack, though he could discover nothing objectionable in his conduct. The young man seemed to be an able assistant to his father, who was at the head of a well established business. "Blood will tell," he said to himself, "and the old Winton slowness will crop out some day." When Jack came one evening in October with the unexpected request for his daughter's hand, he said impressively, "If Grace loves you and she imagines she does, I will consider your proposal carefully. You may call tomorrow morning at 6 o'clock, and I will let you know my decision."

"Six o'clock?" Jack exclaimed. A look of triumph crossed Mr. Albright's face. "Yes," he said, "but perhaps that is too early for a Winton."

"Not at all," Jack calmly answered him. It was evident that Mr. Albright meant to test him. The idea amused him greatly, and he laughingly related the result of his call to his mother and Sue.

"It's a test, mother," he said, and a good one too. Nothing short of an earthquake will get me up at 5. I must wake then if I'm to keep my appointment at 6."

Nonsense! Sue cried. There's the old alarm clock. You can set the alarm for 5 and put it at the head of your bed, Jack.

"Just the thing," he said gratefully, "and I'll do it now."

Later in the evening his mother stole into his chamber and set the hands of the little clock forward an hour. "Jack will never notice," she said to herself, "and he dresses so slowly."

After he was asleep Sue tiptoed in. There was no light in the room, but the sleeper was doomed to wake at 3 o'clock, not promptly at the hour the alarm sounded. Perhaps Jack can tell the remainder of his love story better than any one else can, and I will give you his account of it.

On one occasion a barrister who was a terribly verbose practitioner discovered that one of the jury trying the case was fast asleep. He forthwith roundly ranted those who were still awake for taking so little interest in the case. He ranted the commissioner. "I've just round me of a member in Yorkshire, who was lecturing his congregation for not coming to look and remarking 'Those of ye who do come are asleep bar the village idiot,' when a voice said, 'If I'd been an idiot I had been asleep too.'"

While generally popular at the expense of others, the commissioner does appreciate and enjoy a good repartee even at his own expense. Thus on one occasion an advocate with a beard and mustache, which he then hated, appeared before him. "How can I hear you, sir, if you cover up your moustache like a turner dog?" he asked.

"Well, I had rather be an English terrier than a Scotch cur," was the reply. The commissioner chuckled and merely remarked, "Get on."

The commissioner's pet theory against giving credit once furnished occasion for a most amusing incident. One day a plaintiff was seeking to recover £13 odd for milk supplied. The commissioner said to a milkman, "I thought every one paid for his pennyworth of milk each day as it was delivered." The plaintiff replied, "Oh, no, they don't, your honor. I serve your house's house with milk, and they have not paid me for two months." The commissioner said, "Ah, well, you'll not supply me any more. You will be watering up milk to make up for this £13 you are going to lose."—From G. Pitt-Lewis' "Commissioner Kerr—An Individuality."

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NOTICE OF APPOINTMENT.
Estate of Alexander C. Ritter, deceased. The undersigned has been appointed and qualified as administrator of the estate of Alexander C. Ritter, late of Allen county, Ohio, deceased. Dated this 3rd day of March, A. D. 1904.

NOTICE OF APPOINTMENT.
Estate of Oscar G. Butterfield, deceased. The undersigned has been appointed and qualified as administrator of the estate of Oscar G. Butterfield, late of Allen county, Ohio, deceased. Dated this 26th day of February, A. D. 1904.

NOTICE OF APPOINTMENT.
Estate of John Thompson, deceased. The undersigned has been appointed and qualified as administrator of the estate of John Thompson, late of Allen county, Ohio, deceased. Dated this 10th day of February, A. D. 1904.

NOTICE OF APPOINTMENT.
Estate of O. W. Baker, deceased. The undersigned has been appointed and qualified as administrator of the estate of O. W. Baker, late of Allen county, Ohio, deceased. Dated this 21st day of February, A. D. 1904.

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Time Table Effective Dec. 27, 1903.
No. 7 Pacific Express for Chicago Daily.....1:38 a.m.
21 Chicago accommodation. Daily except Sunday.....8:42 a.m.
3 N.Y. Chicago L.V. D.V. 11:35 a.m.
13 Wells Fargo Express Daily. Except Monday.....4:29 p.m.
Trains East.
3 N.Y. and Columbus. D.V. 3:57 a.m.
22 Marion and Columbus. Daily except Sunday.....8:21 a.m.
4 N.Y. and Boston. Daily.....4:25 p.m.
14 Wells Fargo Express Daily. Except Sunday.....9:32 p.m.
Trains 3 and 4 carry through coach Chicago to Columbus.

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South Bound.
7 Daily, leaves.....2:10 a.m.
11 Daily ex. Sunday, leaves.....5:30 a.m.
1 Daily ex. Sunday, leaves.....8:55 a.m.
5 Daily, leaves.....12:41 p.m.
3 Daily, leaves.....4:10 p.m.
9 Daily, leaves.....6:10 p.m.
13 Daily, except Sunday.....9:35 p.m.
North Bound.
12 Daily, leaves.....2:35 a.m.
14 Daily, leaves ex. Sunday.....5:30 a.m.
2 Daily, leaves ex. Sunday.....8:05 a.m.
6 Daily, leaves.....11:57 a.m.
4 Daily ex. Sunday, leaves.....4:35 p.m.
8 Daily, leaves.....6:05 p.m.
10 Daily ex. Sunday, arrives.....9:00 p.m.
10 Sunday only, leaves.....7:45 p.m.
13 Sunday only, arrives.....9:55 p.m.

DETROIT SOUTHERN.
Change of time on Detroit Southern Railroad, in effect January 31, 1904:
No. 1 Daily ex. Sunday.....2:35 p.m.
3 Daily ex. Sunday.....6:00 a.m.
21 Sunday only.....2:25 p.m.
Going North.
2 Daily ex. Sunday.....10:55 a.m.
4 Daily ex. Sunday, ar.....8:25 p.m.
22 Sunday only, ar.....10:55 a.m.
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hair to look over her shoulder as she ran her finger down the beat list.

"Katie Simpson—dimples, Kate Ray—engaged to Reggie Van Dyke; Kate Delemater—I hardly dare mention her, Teddy."

"You have reason to blush. You know how I abominate the bohemian girl who smokes cigarettes and is always stopping on the verge."

"Didn't you find her clever and handsome?"

"Oh, very! Who next?"

"Kate Randall. Mother suggested her. You did like her a bit, I remember."

"I liked her a great deal. She's a sensible, modest, well behaved young woman. But she's not Kate."

Rena sighed patiently.

"What was the matter with Klittle Pomeroy? There isn't a dearer, sweeter, prettier little girl in"—

"I'm not looking for a dear, sweet, pretty little girl."

"What sort of a girl are you looking for, Ted?"

Harper missed in smiling silence, his eyes idly watching a trembling silver butterfly in her hair.

"I think she's tall and has dark eyes. She's well bred, but not conventional. She's honest and kind. She has brains and a sense of humor. She"—

He broke off suddenly. "I have it, Rena! Find me a Kate just like you, and I surrender the handkerchief."

"And your heart?"

The light words had an unfamiliar tremor in them, like that of the butterfly's filigree wings. Something sweet and sudden and unforeseen swept over Harper's heart. He was looking down at the leaves in her lap, and fragments of what she had said of them came back to him. "All summer contented dreamers—today new creatures—the transfiguration of their lives—what they have been waiting for all these tranquil weeks."

"Rena!" he whispered, bending lower over the silver butterfly. And then, as she looked up into his face with startled eyes, "I believe it is you I love!" he added simply.

"And Kate?" Her eyes smiled, though her lashes were still wet.

"Kate was an airy nothing."

"Dear, stupid boy!" Rising, she crossed the room and brought back a great Bible which she laid on his knee. Perching on the arm of his chair, she opened the volume at the pages of family record and laid a finger on one of the names.

"Katherine, daughter of James and Katherine Cavanaugh, born June —"

"Rena, is it you?"

"Who else? But Rena I've been from my cradle, save to one person."

"And he?" Jealously.

"And she"—reassuringly—"is a college friend who dislikes my poor nickname. I can show you dozens of letters from her addressed to Miss Kate Cavanaugh. The only other proof I could have offered—her gift to me last Christmas—I unfortunately lost."

"At a ball?"

"At a charity ball—last June."

"I don't believe you're my Kate, after all! I told you my Kate was honest and kind."

"And had a sense of humor. Teddy, do you regret the prosaic end of your romance?"

"Prosaic?"

"Do you?" she insisted.

"I should be an ungrateful fool if I did."

"Then forgive your Cinderella and give back her glass slipper, dear prince!"

From the pocket nearest his heart Theodore drew a crumpled bit of linen and lace, still faintly fragrant. He laid it in her hand, and his own fingers closed over it.

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Too Good to Be True.

"I think your daughter intends to elope."

The old man looked at the neighbor who was always interfering in matters that did not concern him and shook his head.

"I can hardly believe it," he said.

"I have every reason to believe it!"

"But that won't do," interrupted the old man. "You forgot that this is a serious matter that ought not to be allowed to rest upon hearsay evidence. When one man comes to another and tells him that his daughter is about to elope the parental roof under cover of the night he should be absolutely sure of what he says. Have you incontrovertible evidence that what you say is true?"

"Well, no; I can't say that I have replied the officious neighbor, beginning to feel that perhaps he had gone too far."

"Just as I feared," returned the old man. "This is the third time I've been my hopes needlessly raised by reports of this sort, and it is growing monotonous."

INFLAMMATORY RHEUMATISM CURED.

William Shaffer, a brakeman of DuPont, Ohio, was confined to his bed for several weeks with inflammatory rheumatism. "I used many remedies," he says. "Finally I sent McCauley's drug store for a bottle of Chamberlain's Pain Balm, at which time I was unable to use hand or foot and in one week's time was able to go to work as happy as a clam." Sold by all druggists.

By Hubert McBean Johnson

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"May I not have this one?" said I. For the sake of appearance, you know," I added, noting her hesitation.

"Well," replied Phyllis in an uncertain way, "for the sake of appearance, then."

The room was hot and stuffy, and smoking is warm work anyhow.

"The veranda is a lot cooler," I suggested.

"For the sake of appearance also?" questioned Phyllis, elevating her eyebrows.

"Certainly," I answered, glancing in the direction of Mrs. Gillespie. "It might look strange if we didn't, you know."

"It has one advantage," said Phyllis—"one does not need to talk out here."

Phyllis laughed. It sounded kind of good to hear it. Phyllis has a pretty laugh and particularly so when one does not hear it for a whole month.

"Did you hear the latest?" I asked by way of changing the subject.

"Which is?" questioned Phyllis apathetically.

"Of my engagement?" I finished.

Phyllis was interested. She leaned forward in her chair and rested her chin on her palms.

"This time to?" she pursued.

But I was not going to commit myself.

"What do you think of Gracie Rawshaw?" said I.

"I thought you preferred taller girls and blonds," commented Phyllis.

"Beauty is only skin deep," I quoted sentimentously.

Phyllis herself is exceptionally pretty.

"I suppose so," she said dreamily, taking no notice of my remark. "But it's awfully funny," she concluded with a little laugh.

"I fail to see the humor of the situation," I replied stiffly. "This is not exactly a jesting matter with me."

"I should not imagine so," said Phyllis dryly. "But I'll apologize. I used the wrong word. I ought to have said what a coincidence."

"Coincidence? How?" I queried with consternation.

I anticipated something, but I don't think Phyllis knew it. I flatter myself that my cigarette never trembled in my hand.

I have always prided myself on my nerve.

"I might make a little announcement myself," said Phyllis quietly with just the faintest suspicion of a laugh in her voice.

I flicked off a sixteenth of an inch of ash. Ashes are so liable to fall on one's clothes, you know.

"And the man?" It's remarkable how tobacco steadies one.

"I believe you will find people congratulating Mr. Dawson Graham this evening," replied Phyllis demurely.

"Lucky devil!" I ejaculated impulsively. I said other things to myself, never had much use for that fellow anyway.

Phyllis bowed in mock courtesy.

"People are good enough to say so," she assented. "I really can't say that I see it myself, but"—

I laughed. The thing was appealing to my sense of humor. It's the most excellent thing you know, to possess a sense of humor.

"We wouldn't have believed all this a month ago," said I. "I would have laughed had any one suggested such a thing."

"How fortunate!" said Phyllis, with apparent irrelevance.

"Which?" I asked. "That I would have believed it or that I would be laughed?"

"That we found out in time." Phyllis seemed quite serious. "Afterwards it would have been apt to create such a scandal."

"True," said I. "We did quarrel casually."

"Occasionally," sniffed Phyllis. "It might better say eternally. Why remember one time?"

"When you were staying at Bon-Bon Beach," I interrupted.

"No, not that one," corrected Phyllis—"when I was"—

"And I used to sail up the river and look at you. You were a yellow disk that summer, you know, and I could see you on the veranda. How I used to wish I could get up the corner to land and go up and talk to you; don't suppose you ever even saw me."

"Why didn't you?" said Phyllis reasonably.

I knew why. My imagination gave me a vivid picture of Phyllis turning her back and walking inside. Phyllis knew too. But I had sense enough to answer.

"Then there was that time!"—

"Are you going over there all?" said Phyllis wearily.

"I suppose there won't be time," I said. "But you have no idea how I thought of that that summer, I girl."

"And now?" questioned Phyllis listlessly.

"Isn't it rather late to dream of things with both of us engaged to other people?" said I.

"Yes," answered Phyllis, "I suppose it is."

"You suppose," said I bitterly, like to punch Dawcy Graham's back. "That's what I'd like to do."

"Therhaps!" began Phyllis gently.

"Oh, here you are!" interrupted St. Clair, coming out of the hall.

"I've been looking everywhere for you two. Phyllis, I want to introduce to Captain MacDougall. Come; see Jack will excuse you for dancing."

"If I may have the next," said I, seizing Phyllis' card and josting my suitcase on it before she could move.

Turning into the hallway I came face to face with Dawcy Graham.

"Hello!" cried I, restraining my desire to get a half Nelson on him. "They tell me I'm to congratulate you. You're certainly a royal flush if ever there was one."

"Thanks, old man; thanks," said Dawcy, linking his arm affectionately into mine and drawing me outside with him. "You're the very fellow I've been looking for. You see, it's this way: We've been engaged now for about six months, and this announcement is merely a prelude to an early wedding. I want you to support me in it. Will you? What do you say?"

Six months, thought I! It took my breath away. The little vixen! And me to support him! If that wasn't rubbing it in!

"What's your governor think about it?" I queried to gain time. "I suppose he's known about it all along?"

"Not much," cried Dawcy. "Not much! He just found it out tonight when it was announced. But he likes it all right. Why, say, do you know when he heard it he actually made a pun. He said, 'Well, my boy, you're no longer the graceless young scamp you always have been.'"

"I don't see it," said I lamely enough.

"Where's the pun?"

"Why, graceless," explained Dawcy. "Don't you see—graceless—Grace Rawshaw, you know."

"Oh, yes," said I weakly. "Ha, ha, see now. How stupid of me! I wasn't thinking."

I certainly did see. I saw several things that Dawcy did not.

"And you're going to stand up with me?" asked Dawcy anxiously. "Wedding's in the early part of September."

"Am I?" said I emphatically. "Glad to, my dear fellow. Nothing could give me greater pleasure."

And that wasn't just politeness either. I like Graham. He is really a awfully decent sort, you know.

"Thanks!" he cried enthusiastically. "I knew you would. I must go and tell Grace. Well, see you later."

I walked across the floor to where Phyllis was standing with Captain MacDougall.

"Isn't this ours?" I asked.

"Why, yes," said Phyllis, ostensibly consulting her card. "I believe it is."

"Phyllis," said I, "a moment later 'Dawcy Graham has just asked me to act as his best man.'"

There must have been something my tone that warned her, for Phyllis looked up and caught my eye.

"Jack," she said, "candidly, you're goose. I told Grace this afternoon that I would act for her."

"Suppose," I suggested, "that we sit outside on the veranda and sit it out."

"For the sake of appearance?" asked Phyllis, looking up at me and smiling roughly.

"Not entirely," said I.

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Fifteenth Century Guns.

In 1427, when the English in Normandy made their last assault on Mont St. Michel under Lord Scaler, they tackled it with "several powerful galleys and certain machines of war." Says an old writer, "They trained battery so furiously against the walls that they made a breach." Among these formidable weapons were the enormous wrought iron guns, which they were compelled to leave behind on being obliged to raise the siege. They are still on exhibition with some of their projectiles in a railed inclosure just inside the main entrance to the town. The guns are of the kind merely called "bombards" and are of different sizes. The larger one has a caliber of nineteen inches, thirty and quarter inches being the greatest total diameter and twelve feet total length, of which about three-fourth inches belong to the smaller gun chamber in the rear. It weighs very nearly six tons. The other weighs about a couple of tons less, of fifteen inches caliber and eleven nine-inches long. These weapons not cast, but "built up" guns, but formed of longitudinal bars about four inches wide, arranged like the staves of a cask and bound round closely by wrought iron hoops. The "Michele" as they are called, are most likely Flemish workmanship. Their projectiles are made of hewn granite, those for the larger gun have been estimated to weigh 800 pounds apiece. The powder chamber is capable of holding about forty pounds of explosive.

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Dr. H. H. Thomas

Letter Too Perfect.

General Phil Cook, when secretary of state of Georgia, observed the young clerk, fresh from one of the small towns, daily received a letter over which he hung long and tenderly. The general knew that this daily letter was from the young fellow's sweetheart, and one day, when the letter seemed especially distracting, he said:

"Well, John, I suppose she writes very nice letter."

John colored, but was too gallant to let the challenge pass.

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HARDLY ANY TWO SCIENTISTS AGREE
AS TO ITS AGE.

Science Speculation About the Time-Atom in the Boundless Universe Upon Which We Dwell—Theories About the Interior of Our Globe.

Hardly any two scientists agree as to the age of the earth—that is, as to the length of time which has elapsed since the earth's crust became solid. Considering the very slow rate at which rocks are deposited by water and the immense thickness of the beds of these "stratified" rocks, as they are called, it seems that at least 1,000,000,000 years have passed since the globe evolved in its present shape out of the whirling mass of incandescent matter which it must once have been.

But Lord Kelvin, arguing from the known rate of loss of heat, declares that not more than 100,000,000 years is the limit of time which has passed since firm rocks appeared and life began upon the earth. More recently Professor Tait declared that a tenth of Lord Kelvin's estimate might be nearer the truth. All geologists, however, declare that the latter estimate is too low.

We know with the utmost exactitude how heavy our little world is. If you put down the figure 6 and follow it by twenty-one naughts, you have it with a very few million tons. Roughly speaking, this implies that the earth is five and one-half times as heavy as a globe of water of the same size.

But, in spite of this accurate knowledge of the earth's weight, we have no real idea of what is the condition of things inside our planet. Thousands of experiments made in all parts of the world show that the temperature rises on an average about a degree for every sixty feet below the surface. If the rate of increase continues regular toward the center, that part of the globe must be at a heat so appalling that imagination is unable to grasp it. When this fact of increase of temperature with depth first became ascertained geologists got the idea that they were living upon a furious furnace, which volcanoes were the escape pipes.

Now we know better than that. We have found, among other things, that an earthquake in Japan is able to rattle itself in England. This actually happened in the case of the disaster near Japan some years ago, when 3,000 people lost their lives. A tremor of this kind could not pass unless the earth had a rigidity approaching that of steel, and observations of tides and the attractions exercised upon our sun and moon have made it pretty certain that our world is just about as hard and solid as so much steel.

This does away with the liquid interior theory and makes it fairly certain that the earth is solid all through, with perhaps occasional accumulations of fluid rock here and there, in places where for some reason or other the pressure is not so great as it is in others.

It also upsets the old theory of volcanoes, and the modern idea with regard to these mountains of death and destruction is that water from the surface finds its way through a few miles below the surface, and then, being suddenly turned into steam, causes an explosion, or series of explosions, and boiler burnings on a gigantic scale.

Every schoolboy knows that the shape of the earth is an oblate spheroid—that is to say, that it is flattened at the poles like an orange at the two poles. The polar diameter of the earth is actually twenty-seven miles less than its diameter at the equator. But it is as yet absolutely ascertained whether the flattening is similar at both poles. Some arctic explorers appear to be of opinion that the flattening is greater at the north than at the south pole.

Another rather startling fact is that the equator is not a perfect circle. You could drop a plumb-line from the land through to New Zealand; it would be somewhat longer than another which cut the earth at right angles to it. The difference has not yet been ascertained with absolute accuracy.

We are accustomed to talk of the level as an invariable quantity. It is positively startling to find how far from level the sea is, not only locally from the passing influence of tides and winds, but there are spots and permanent elevations in the sea, as the polar mountains, in fact. It is calculated that in the bay of Bengal the water lies at a level exceeding that of the Indian ocean by fully 300 feet; that of the Pacific ocean along the coast of South America may be higher up as much as 2,500 feet higher than the water in the opposite Atlantic. These water mountains depend upon the attraction of great mountain masses, the bay of Bengal upon the Himalayas and the south Pacific upon the American Andes.

The height of our highest mountain has been measured to within an inch or two, and we have accurate information on the subject of the great depth of the sea, but we do not yet know with any certainty how deep is the atmospheric envelope of the earth. One time twenty-seven miles was taken as the limit. This was increased to forty, and soon even this estimate was extended to 100.

Our only means of measuring the height of the atmosphere is by the meteors, which spring in incandescent blaze through the air when they strike our atmosphere. No man cannot live at a much greater height than five miles, it may be. We shall never learn exactly how deep is the atmospheric ocean at the height of which we crawl.—St. Louis Democrat.

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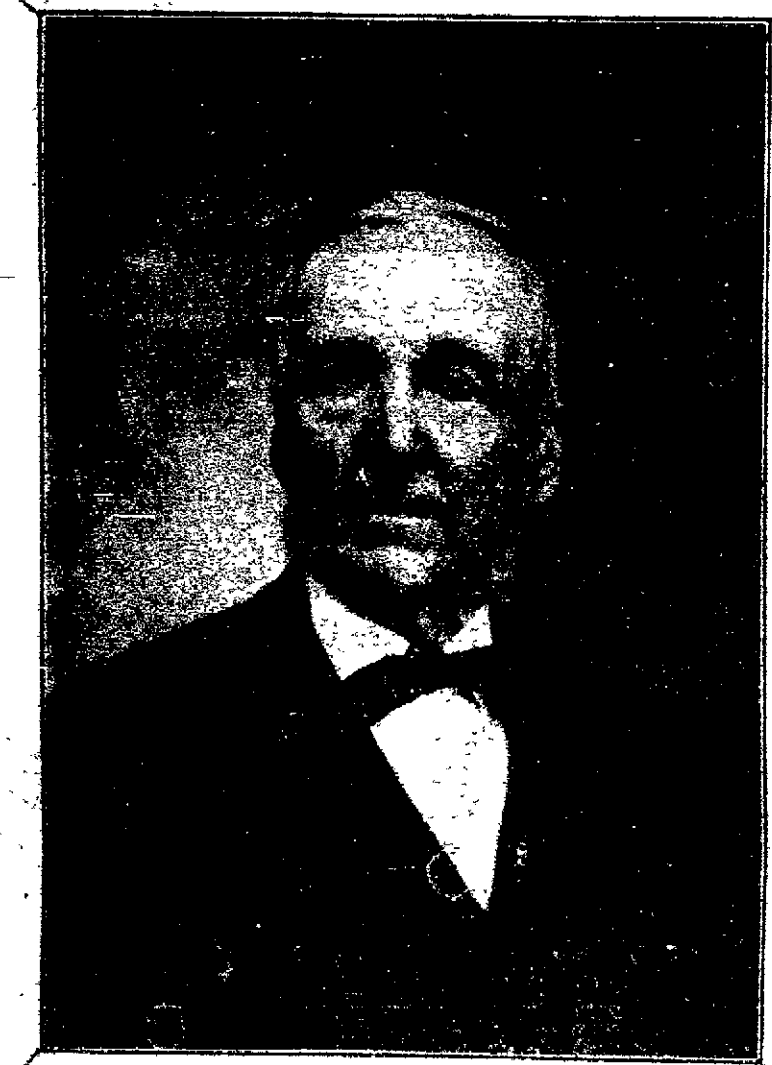
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German Township, Jacob Crites, Passed From Life Early Sunday Morning.

"Uncle Jake" Was Oldest Odd Fellow in the County at the Time of His Demise--- Funeral Tomorrow.

The venerable Jacob Crites, one of the most prominent pioneers of Allen county, died at his home, six miles west of the city at 2 o'clock Sunday morning, death resulting after an illness of long duration. The funeral services will be held from the M. E. church at Allentown tomorrow afternoon and interment will be made in the family lot in the Allentown cemetery. The funeral cortege will leave the Crites residence, two miles west of Allentown at 2 o'clock in the afternoon. He was the oldest living Odd Fellow in Allen county, having been initiated in Allen lodge in 1855. He was also a member of Lima En-



The Late Jacob Crites.

campment, Patriarch's Militant, and it was his wish expressed before death, that the order have charge of his funeral. The members will attend in a body. He also requested that Rev. J. H. Fitzwater, now presiding elder of the Delaware district M. E. church, deliver the funeral sermon. Miss Leah Arthur, of this city, will sing at the funeral.

"Uncle Jake" Crites was born in Salt Creek township, Pickaway county, Ohio, on the 19th day of October, 1822, and died March 13th, 1904, aged 81 years, 4 months and 24 days. He was the twelfth child and tenth son born to John Daniel and Catharine (Petre) Crites, who were the parents of thirteen children. Of this large family of children but two, Amos and Elias yet survive. The former at the advanced age of ninety-two, resides with one of his children near the village of Amanda, Fairfield county, Ohio, and the latter, the youngest of the family, resides on his farm north of Elida, this county and although 80 years old, is yet active.

The early life of the deceased was not without a distressing incident. While but a mere lad, he accidently fell upon the knife of a straw-cutting machine, and in so doing, almost severed his left foot from the ankle, which disabled him for life. In fact the immediate cause of his death was inflammation of this disabled member.

At the age of sixteen, he began an apprenticeship at the blacksmith

ILLNESS

Of John J. Miller, Well Known Insurance Agent

Was Terminated by the Hand of Death Sunday Afternoon--Fu- neral to Be Held Tomorrow.

John J. Miller, a well known local insurance agent who had an office in the Holmes block, died at his late home, 608 east Kirby street, at 2:30 o'clock yesterday afternoon, death terminating an illness of four weeks duration.

The deceased was 47 years of age and is survived by two daughters--

Mrs. John Walkup, of St. Paris and Mrs. Adam Place, of El Paso, Texas, and three sons--Ray, Conner and Homer Miller.

The deceased was a member of the K. of P. order, the Modern Woodmen and was an officer in the local lodge of the Home Guards of America.

Funeral services will be held at the Congregational church, Rev. Garret Wyckoff, at 10 o'clock Wednesday morning and the remains will be interred in Woodlawn cemetery.

GARRETT WYCKOFF LODGE NO. 587, F. & A. M.

Stated communication this evening at 7:30 o'clock work. Visitors invited.

F. M. FREY, W. M.
E. H. JOHNS, Secy.

PERSONAL MENTION.

Mrs. Asa W. Nims, of north West street, is entertaining her sister, Miss Minnie Barbeau, of Toledo.

Mr. and Mrs. George W. Moon, of east Elm street, are visiting his parents at Lakewood.

The Etude club will meet tomorrow afternoon at the home of Mrs. Ernest Baird, of west Elm street, instead of Mrs. Bigley's home, as announced.

Mrs. J. B. McWhir, of south Elizabeth street, has been called to Michigan, by the illness of her mother, Mrs. Kinketer.

Mr. George F. Southard, will sail for home on the Kaiser Wilhelm on Wednesday the 16th.

The St. Marys Chapter of Christ church, will have an all day work meeting on Friday, at the home of Mrs. J. W. Roby, of south Baxter street.

The ladies of Market street Presbyterian church, will give a supper in the basement of the church on Friday.

Mrs. B. M. Payden, of south Pine street, was removed to the city hospital yesterday. She is suffering from gall stones and liver trouble.

Miss Eva Neubrecht has resigned her position at Feldman's and accepted a similar position with Carter & Carroll.

Miss Georgia Davis of Rockford, Ohio, underwent a surgical operation Saturday at the home of her aunt, Mrs. J. H. Stuck, of east Elm street. The operation was successful, and the brave little patient is improving nicely. She is the thirteen-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Davis.

EMPLOYEE

Of the Paper Mills Attacked With Heart Trouble.

A Mr. Cramer, who is an employee of the Lima Straw Board works, while walking on south Pine street yesterday, was seen to suddenly fall to the pavement. He was assisted into the home of Mrs. M. S. Dempster and after he had recovered somewhat, he was taken to his home on north Park avenue. An attack of heart failure was the cause of his sudden illness.

CONDITION

Of John S. O'Connor Is Re- ported Critical Today.

John S. O'Connor, who has been seriously ill for some time past with Bright's disease, suffered a change for the worse Saturday and his condition now is very grave. His son Harry O'Connor and brother Bernard O'Connor, who are students in the Western Reserve law school in Cleveland, and another brother, the Rev. Joseph A. O'Connor, of Medina, Ohio, have been called home on account of his critical condition.

REMAINS

Of Thomas Shanks Will Be Buried Here Tomorrow.

The remains of Thomas Shanks, the L. E. & W. employee who died in the city hospital last week, will be buried here. The relatives who telegraphed from Paducah, Ky., requested that the remains be held here, afterwards sent word, requesting that the body be buried at the county's expense. The funeral services will be held at Jones & Williams' parlors tomorrow morning and funeral services will be held at St. Johns church Wednesday morning at 8:30 o'clock, arrangements have been made by some of the local friends of the deceased.

SUIT OPENING.

ON TUESDAY, MARCH 15, WE WILL HAVE WITH US A REPRESENTATIVE FROM ONE OF THE BEST AND LARGEST FACTORIES IN THE COUNTRY WHO WILL SHOW THE VERY NEWEST THINGS IN SUITS, SEPARATE JACKETS AND SKIRTS AND WHO WILL TAKE SPECIAL MEASURES FOR ANYTHING IN THIS LINE. OUR SUITS AND JACKETS ARE EXCLUSIVE DESIGNS AND FEW STORES IN THE STATE SHOW AS FINE TAILOR MADE GARMENTS. WE INVITE THE LADIES OF LIMA TO CALL AND INSPECT THE LINE.

R. T. GREGG & CO.

HOME GUARDS, NOTICE.

Home Guards of America will meet in Probate Judge Miller's office at 7:30 this evening to take action on the death of Bro. J. J. Miller. Let all attend.

P. A. SHERRICK, Counselor

ST. PATRICK'S DANCE.

The event of the week will be the St. Patrick's ball at the auditorium, Thursday night.

A GHOST.
A DAYLIGHT GHOST IN TOWN.

POPULARITY

Of Service Has Been Demonstrated

By the Unanimous Verdict of People of This City

Who Have Given The Times-Demo- crat the Largest Circulation Ever Extended to Any Lima Newspaper.

The people of Lima are keen to appreciate a good thing.

About a year ago, just after the Times-Democrat removed into its new quarters, the publishers determined to join the Associated Press Association and give to Lima what she had never had--the full daily wire service of the Associated Press. The proposition was an expensive one, but the result was just what we anticipated--a flocking to our list by hundreds of those who appreciated the advantage of having today's news served to them today. The innovation of being constantly in touch with the entire outside world through the medium of the Times-Democrat's leased wire pleased the people and as a consequence today's Times-Democrat subscription list is one thousand larger than was ever attained by any other Lima newspaper. In consequence of the phenomenal increase in our circulation, we were obliged to add a perfecting press to our mechanical equipment in order to handle our edition promptly enough, and it became necessary to augment the number of carriers in the city until it requires 21 bright boys to cover the town each night to get the Times-Democrat into the homes of its readers by supper time.

The Times-Democrat is the only newspaper in Lima which publishes today's news today.

The Times-Democrat is the only newspaper in Lima which receives one word of Associated Press news by wire.

It is the only newspaper in Lima which does publish an affidavit as to the amount of its circulation.

Do you need more blood, more flesh, more strength this spring? Hollister's Rocky Mountain Tea will bring them all. If it fails your money back. 35 cents. Tea or tablet form. H. F. Vorkkamp.

I. O. O. F. NOTICE.

All members of Lima encampment No. 62, are earnestly requested to meet at their lodge room on Monday evening, March 14, at 7 o'clock to make arrangements for the funeral of Jacob Crites.

H. R. BASSLER, C. P.

You need a tonic, tissue builder, strength producer, flesh creator, this spring? Hollister's Rocky Mountain Tea will revitalize your entire system. 35 cents, tea or tablets. H. F. Vorkkamp.

GAVE THEM SURPRISE.

At the home of Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Stinebeck, of south Metcalf street, last Wednesday evening, the neighbors gathered in, togged in this and that, and gave them quite a surprise. Music and games were the features of the evening, and at the close of the evening, a box supper was given. All departed wishing them many more such happy evenings. Those who were present were: Mr. and Mrs. John Stayner, Mr. and Mrs. Ollie Ramsey, Mr. and Mrs. Dan McKibben, Mrs. Wm. Leedy, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Wheelwager and daughter May.

LAYER FIGS 10c LB. AT PIPERS.
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RELIGIOUS

Services Held in the Eagles' Lodge Rooms.

The local lodge of Eagles held a religious service in the lodge rooms yesterday afternoon, with a good attendance of members and friends. An address was delivered by the Rev. F. P. Bossart, pastor of St. Paul's Lutheran church, who selected for the topic of his sermon, the story of the Prodigal Son.

Music was furnished for the services by the Eagles' male choir.

NOTICE.

There will be a called meeting of Allen Lodge No. 223, I. O. O. F., Monday evening at 7:30 o'clock sharp, to make arrangements to attend the funeral of Jacob Crites, which will be held at Allentown, O., Tuesday afternoon at 2 o'clock. By order of J. C. STONER, N. G.

A GHOST.
A DAYLIGHT GHOST IN TOWN.
WILL BE BROUGHT HERE.

The remains of Mrs. Harry Long, nee Hortense Durbin, who died in Detroit, last Wednesday, will be brought to this city for burial. The body is now resting in a receiving vault in Detroit.

G. E. BLUEM.

55-57 Public Square.

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PRETTY NOVELTIES FOR SPRING, 1904.



Our fine new stock of Novelties for the present spring season just opening, have arrived, and we think they are even prettier and of greater assortment than those of any season past. It is just such small, inexpensive things that are many times quite necessary to properly complete a very becoming toilette.

This store's popularity didn't just "happen." We have earned it and intend to keep it.

Stylish Belts.

Horsehide Belts, the new leather goods, all the new patterns, with or without large Buckle in back. All the new girdle effects. Other popular patterns of woven belting, black center, with gilt edges, 50c, 75c, \$1, \$1.25, \$1.50.

Veilings.

An elaborate assortment of new Veilings. Chiffon Veilings, Automobile Veils, in all colors. The quality of these Veils is of the very best.

G. E. BLUEM.

New Neckwear.

Fancy stocks, cuff and collar sets, turn-overs, neck ruching, many of the daintiest, prettiest Neckwear creations of this spring season are now at your disposal. Ask to be shown them. From 25c to \$1.

New Ribbons.

Our stock of Ribbons was never so complete as now. Persians, Dresdens, Plaids, Satin De Lux, Satin Liberty, Taffeta, Morie, Fancy Dot and Fancy Edged Taffetas.

G. E. BLUEM.



Dry Goods,

Suit House.

55-57 Public Square.



THE ELKS

Will Hold a Rube Social on Wednesday, March 23.

Before remodeling their lodge rooms, the work of which will be started in about two weeks, the Elks will hold another of their old time "Rube" socials, the invitations for which will be issued the latter part of this week. The Baber orchestra will be engaged, and a good old-time barn dance will be held in the social session hall. Sweet cider, pumpkin pie and doughnuts will be the refreshments. Wednesday evening, March 23 is the date set for the event.

PNEUMONIA

Causes the Death of Charles Tompkins' Son.

George M., the infant son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Tompkins, of the Spencer road, died yesterday from pneumonia, after three weeks illness. Deceased child was aged six months and twenty days. Funeral will be held from the residence at 2 o'clock tomorrow afternoon and interment will be made in Woodlawn cemetery. Mr. Tompkins is assistant superintendent of Woodlawn cemetery, and resides in the keeper's residence at the cemetery.

LIMA LODGE NO. 205, F. & A. M.

Special communication tomorrow (Tuesday) evening. Work on P. C. degree.

ROBT. P. JONES, W. M.

WALLACE LANDIS, Secy.

HURRAH FOR THE IRISH! EVERYBODY IS GOING TO MILLER'S NEW VAUDEVILLE THEATRE TO SEE A REAL IRISH SHOW. INTRODUCING CHAS. E. AND BERTHA TAYLOR, MISS BESSIE BOND, THE IRISH THRUSH, MONROE AND ST. CLAIRE, THE GREAT COLLET, JESSIE HEREFORD AND EVA METCALF, AND A HOST OF OTHERS. DON'T FORGET THE SPECIAL MATINEE ST. PATRICK'S DAY AT 2 P. M. ADMISSION, LOWER FLOOR FREE, BALCONY 15c, BOXES 25c.

On account of the illness of Miss Bonnie Miesse, the Satorian circle will meet with Mrs. J. E. Ritchie, Friday afternoon.

DANCING 25c.
Every Monday, Wednesday and Saturday nights, at the auditorium.

THE IDLER.

"P. C. Collins, of Spanish Honduras, formerly a resident of Lima, Ohio, was at the Gibson House yesterday, just back from a visit of several months to that country, says the Cincinnati Enquirer.

"Mr. Collins went to Honduras last fall, and purchased 1,000 acres of land, which he will devote to the raising of bananas, and he thinks he has a fortune in sight within a few years. "There is very little in Honduras to attract the average American, but the climate; but I am inclined to the opinion that money can be made there. While I am not as well satisfied with the country as I might be, I propose to remain and take my chances. Banana raising is the chief industry of the country, labor is cheap and there is a great demand for the fruit in the United States. I have an excellent plantation, but that portion of Central America is pretty desolate. I am more than 200 miles from a railroad, and the navigation along the streams to a railroad station is not the best in the world. When I left my plantation for the states a few weeks ago, I was in a skiff which contained all my clothing, a monkey, parrot and many other things which I intended to bring to my friends in this country. The skiff capsized one night, and all that I got out of the water was myself and I consider myself lucky to escape."

The Discard club will hold its next club dance at the Armory on the evening of St. Patrick's day.

The following, referring perhaps to an actual occurrence, was written and handed to the Times-Democrat for publication:

"Once a little boy (at about the age of eight or nine) full of curiosity, entered into the bath room. After noticing about everything there was and handling it as little fellows do and sometimes breaks them and they don't know who did it at all. He at last noticed the bath tub and of course must know what it is. So he put one foot in the tub turned the faucet and what a delightful time he was having when all of a sudden the water came on like a torrent and his curiosity was perfectly satisfied. So boys if you happen to be in this little boy's place what would you do?

MARGARET WHITE.

A GHOST.
A DAYLIGHT GHOST IN TOWN.

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By order of captain.
A. WARNER, J.

JAMES S. DAVIS,

Popular K. O. T. M. Official Takes a Position With J. W. Rowlands.



SIR KNIGHT JAS. S. DAVIS.

The above is an excellent likeness of James S. Davis, organizer of Junio Division of the Uniform Rank, Knights of the Macabees, who was until recently in the service of Harry Rumble in the coal business. Mr. Davis has accepted a position at the Rowlands furniture store where he will always be pleased to have his friends call.

TWO HOMES

Saddened by Visits of the Relentless Reaper.

The infant child of Mr. and Mrs. F. I. Lapoint, of 403 east Second street, died today and the remains will be interred in Woodlawn cemetery tomorrow.

Florence, the three-months old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charles E. Randall, of 1203 south Main street, died today from throat trouble. The remains will be taken to Kierksville, Ohio, tomorrow, for interment.

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